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Begin coalition wins crucial vote

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israel's fragile coalition, which has been battling for survival since its formation last July, Tuesday comfortably won the first vote of the new parliamentary session. The Knesset (parliament) voted 58-54 in support of a policy statement by Prime Minister Menachem Begin. In the statement, made Monday, Mr. Begin pledged he would never again dismantle Jewish settlements in occupied Arab land and spoke of eventually extending Israeli sovereignty over the occupied territories. It also declared that the state airline, El Al, would be ordered to stop flights on the Sabbath and religious holidays, a proposal which has met fierce opposition from trade unions and non-religious Israelis.

British destroyer destroyed

LONDON (R) — The British destroyer Sheffield was abandoned by its crew after being set ablaze by Argentine forces near the Falkland Islands Tuesday, and it is feared there were a number of casualties, the defence ministry announced Tuesday. In Buenos Aires, Argentina's military high command said three British Harrier jump jets attacked the Port Darwin airstrip on the Falkland Islands and that two of them were shot down by anti-aircraft fire. In a communique the command said the attack was launched at 2.50 p.m. (1750 GMT) and that the defending forces suffered no casualties and that there was no damage. The communique gave no further details.

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Shamir: No arms for Argentina

TEL AVIV (R) — Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir was quoted Tuesday as saying Israel had ruled out any new arms sales to Argentina while it is in conflict with Britain over the Falkland Islands. But foreign ministry officials reiterated that Israel would abide by any outstanding commitments to sell arms to Argentina. Mr. Shamir's remarks were made in an interview with the political magazine, Journal of the Week to be published Wednesday. In the interview, leaked to Israeli Radio, Mr. Shamir said Israel had not sold arms to the Argentine junta since the Falklands dispute flared and would not do so. Israel did not want to get involved in the conflict, he was reported as saying. Israeli officials are barred from disclosing details of arms sales. But there has been no denial of reports that past sales include 26 Nesher fighters—an Israeli-built Mirage—Shafir air-to-air missiles, four Dabur patrol boats and Gabriel ship-to-ship missiles.

Calcutta orders probe into Ananda Marga killings

CALCUTTA (R) — The government of India's West Bengal State has decided to launch a judicial inquiry into the killing here last week of 17 members of a controversial religious sect. The Press Trust of India (PTI) reported that a judicial commission, headed by a high court judge whose name has not yet been announced, would investigate the deaths of the 17 members of the Ananda Marga (path of bliss) sect. The deaths occurred last Friday when angry crowds in the southern outskirts of Calcutta attacked sect members with spears, knives and iron rods following rumours they had kidnapped children. Police said on Saturday they had arrested over 100 people in connection with the killings.

Ulusu to attend NATO summit

ANKARA (R) — Prime Minister Bulend Ulu will represent Turkey at the NATO summit meeting in Bonn in June, a foreign ministry spokesman said Tuesday. Earlier there had been speculation that head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren, would attend the meeting of the North Atlantic alliance.

W. German army worker arrested for espionage

KARLSRUHE, West Germany (R) — A West German army telecommunications worker has been arrested on suspicion of spying for a Soviet intelligence agency, the federal prosecutor's office here said on Tuesday. The 40-year-old man and his wife, aged 44, were arrested at Traunstein in Bavaria, near the Austrian border, last Thursday, a spokesman for Federal Prosecutor Kurt Rebmann said. The man, not named, was believed to have been recruited by a Soviet secret agent in East Berlin in 1974, the spokesman said. He was a Bundeswehr (armed forces) sergeant-major in Traunstein until 1976 when he took a civilian job with the telecommunications section of the same unit. The spokesman said he was suspected of having passed to the Soviet secret service documents to which he gained access at work, particularly telecommunications directories, a key for decoding Bundeswehr telegrams and notes on military exercises.

Athens detains 3 for drug smuggling

ATHENS (R) — An Athens public prosecutor has remanded in custody two Britons and an Austrian on charges of illegal possession, sale and smuggling of narcotics, a police spokesman said. The Britons, Charles Sykes, 26, from Manchester, Allan Price, 24, from Slough and the Austrian Helmut Haider, 33, from Linz were arrested by security police over the weekend when they were found in possession of 100 grammes of hashish and five grammes of heroin, the spokesman said.

King urges just settlement in Palestine, for Gulf War

BAGHDAD (R) — His Majesty King Hussein has called for a just settlement of the Palestine issue based on the Palestinians' legitimate rights and their aspirations to self-determination on their homeland and a just solution for the Iran-Iraq war guaranteeing Iraq's sovereignty, territorial integrity and rights on its rightful territories. In a message addressed to the international intellectual seminar on the principles of non-alignment, opened here Tuesday by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, the King also stressed the significance of convening the next summit of the Non-Aligned Movement in Baghdad as scheduled because "it would boost international relations for the sake of serving the cause of world peace."

Hussein receives Diouf message

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein received at the Royal Court on Tuesday afternoon Mustafa Al Sibsi, private adviser of Senegalese President Abdou Diouf, who delivered to the King a letter from the Senegalese president dealing with reinforcing Islamic solidarity and developing cooperation and strengthening relations between the two countries. The meeting was attended by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan.

Earlier on Tuesday, Minister of Awqaf and Islamic and Holy Places Affairs Kamel Al Sharif also received Mr. Sibsi. The Senegalese envoy reviewed the activities carried out by Islamic societies, particularly promoting Arab and Islamic cultures, and requested the Ministry of Awqaf's support in this respect. Mr. Sharif agreed to grant a number of scholarships in Islamic Shari'a (code of law) to Senegalese students.



His Majesty King Hussein receives Tuesday the visiting Austrian Interior Minister Eric Lanc (Petra photo)

Austria seeks security ties with Jordan

By Suzanne Zu'mut-Black
Special to the Jordan Times

The Austrian Interior Minister Erwin Lanc is currently visiting Jordan with the purpose of strengthening links in cooperation between Jordan and Austria in security, the minister told the Jordan Times Tuesday evening. Dr. Lanc, who arrived Monday on a four-day official visit stated that the cooperation will especially concentrate on "the exchange of experiences of the police forces of the two countries in operating the work of police in both countries."

On Tuesday the Austrian minister was received by His Majesty King Hussein and their discussions covered bilateral relations and means of strengthening them. The guest also met with Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Minister of Interior Ahmad Obaidat, Director General of Public Security Lt.-Gen. Mohammad Idris and Director of Intelligence Tareq Aladdin. Also Tuesday, Dr. Lanc visited Princess Basma Women Police Academy where he got acquainted with the standard of training procedures. On Wednesday, the Austrian minister is expected to meet with His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan and Commander-in-Chief of Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker and visit the Jordan Valley.

Benyahia dies in air crash

LONDON (Agencies) — Algerian Foreign Minister Mohammed Seddik Benyahia, who played a key role in the release of the U.S. hostages held in Iran, died in a plane crash Monday night. Mr. Benyahia, 50, was on his way to Tehran for an official visit during which he was expected to help negotiate an end to the 19-month-old war between Iran and Iraq.

Recently, he had been deeply involved in mediation efforts to end the Gulf war which has intensified in recent weeks. Western diplomatic sources said recently that they believed mediation by Algeria had a stronger chance of success as it was a proven negotiator that appeared to have the trust of both sides.

Algeria's official news agency APS said Mr. Benyahia's Grumman G-2 was carrying 14 people including four crew. They are all feared to have died. The plane crashed southeast of the Iranian town of Qatur, a mountainous area usually patrolled by Kurdish guerrillas. Troops and police, accompanied by senior Iranian officials and a special representative of Algerian President Chadli Benjedid, went to the area to investigate the crash. Mr. Benyahia, appointed foreign minister three years ago, achieved world prominence and boosted his country's image in the West for his efforts that ended in release of the U.S. hostages in January 1981. They spent 444 days in captivity.

Meanwhile in Tehran, the Iranian foreign ministry charged that Iraqi planes had chased the plane carrying Mr. Benyahia but Iraq denied the allegation and said the crash could have been accident or the work of Iranian clerical rulers whom it accused of prolonging the war. Iran also said the same Iraqi jets chased a Lufthansa airliner bound for Tehran and claimed Iranian fighter planes drove the Iraqis off and the passenger airliner was diverted to Ankara. A spokesman for Lufthansa in West Germany denied there had been any accident. He said the plane, carrying 160 people on a flight from Frankfurt to Tehran, turned back because Iran suddenly closed its air space. He said: "We just spoke to the captain and he says he was neither fired upon, nor chased, nor shadowed."

King conveys condolences to Algeria

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein has sent a cable to Algerian President Chadli Benjedid expressing, on behalf of the Jordanian people and government, his heartfelt condolences and sympathy for the death of Algerian Foreign Minister Mohammed Benyahia and the members of the delegation accompanying him. King Hussein said in his cable that he shares with the Algerian president, people and government their painful affliction, and implored God that the souls of the victims of the crash might rest in peace and that the Algerian people be protected against all evil. The King also extended his condolences to the bereaved families. Prime Minister Mudar Badran also sent a cable to his Algerian counterpart saying that he was deeply moved at the death of Mr. Benyahia and his delegation and expressed his condolences and sympathy to the Algerian prime minister and to the families of the victims.

Abu Qourah condemns Iran for sending children to war

AMMAN (Petra) — Dr. Ahmad Abu Qourah, the chairman of the Red Cross permanent committee and the president of the Jordanian Red Crescent National Society, has condemned the practices of the Persian regime which throws children under 15 years of age into the battlefield for its aggression on Iraq. He lauded the Iraqi leadership's decision to return the Iranian children, captured during the recent military operations, to their families. In a statement to the Jordanian News Agency, Petra, Dr. Abu Qourah stressed that the Iranian authorities violated Article No. 77 of the first protocol added to the Geneva Convention. He added that this article says that children should be respected, protected against any form of maltreatment and to be provided with aid and care by the warring parties who should not recruit or let children participate in direct acts of aggression.

Iraqi helicopters attack Iranian position

BEIRUT (R) — Iraq sent in helicopter gunships Tuesday against Iranian forces a bridgehead on the west bank of the Karun River in Iran's southwestern province of Khuzestan, the Iraqi News Agency (INA) reported. Iranian forces crossed the Karun last Friday at the start of their latest offensive aimed at driving the Iraqis out of the 20-month-old Gulf war. An Iraqi military spokesman quoted by INA said the helicopter assault wiped out nine Iranian infantry units but put no figure on the casualties. Two Iranian tanks, seven vehicles, an anti-aircraft gun and other weapons were destroyed, the spokesman said, adding that all the helicopters returned safely to base.

Schmidt, Genscher to discuss coalition

BONN (R) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Vice-Chancellor Hans-Dietrich Genscher will discuss the future of their shaky coalition at a private meeting Wednesday, a government spokesman said Tuesday. He said the meeting would touch on the Western economic and military summits next month but would also deal with deep economic rifts between the chancellor's Social Democrats (SPD) and Mr. Genscher's Free Democrats (FDP). FDP Economics Minister Otto Lambsdorff underlined those disputes Tuesday, branding SPD demands for more measures against unemployment as "hostile to free enterprise."

Arab Gulf leaders discuss solution to Iran-Iraq war

ABU DHABI (R) — Leaders of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) met in Riyadh Tuesday as part of Gulf moves to close Arab ranks and halt the Iran-Iraq war. The official Emirates news agency WAM said UAE President Sheikh Zaid Ibn Sultan Al Nahayan flew to Riyadh and met King Khalid. They were joined by the Kuwaiti Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh

Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah. The meeting followed what has been officially described as a UAE presidential initiative to end the Iran-Iraq war in cooperation with other Gulf leaders as part of wider moves to heal rifts in the Arab World. UAE officials told WAM the talks covered efforts to contain Arab differences and to achieve Arab solidarity. No other details were given.

W. Germany rejects Iran's charges of police brutality

BONN (R) — West Germany Tuesday formally rejected allegations of police brutality made by the Iranian ambassador after clashes between rival Iranian student groups in Mainz 10 days ago, the foreign ministry said. Ambassador Mehdi Navab was summoned to the foreign ministry and told his charges were unjustified and that offenders would be dealt with according to law, regardless of their political affiliation. The ministry expressed concern at the growth of violence among Iranians in West Germany. Twenty-eight Iranian students and eight policemen were injured when supporters of Iranian leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini attacked opponents of the Iranian government with knives, clubs and knuckledusters on the Mainz University campus. Police said the Khomeini supporters were centrally organized. The victims claimed that the attack was planned from the Iranian embassy in Bonn. Mr. Navab last week denied any embassy involvement and accused the police of applying double standards in their treatment of supporters and opponents of the Iranian government.

Egyptian hopes raised of return to Arab fold

CAIRO (R) — Word of impending visits to Cairo by two Arab leaders has encouraged Egyptian hopes of a break in this country's diplomatic isolation from the rest of the Arab World. An official source disclosed that Sultan Qaboos Ibn Said of Oman will visit Cairo on Saturday. This followed a report Monday night by the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) that Moroccan Foreign Minister Mohamed Boucif will come here next week. Morocco was one of the Arab countries which broke relations with Egypt after the Egyptian-Israeli treaty of 1979. Oman maintained relations but kept them in low key. Sultan Qaboos has not visited Egypt since 1977. President Hosni Mubarak

recently expressed the hope that Egypt would renew its ties with other Arab countries now that the treaty has brought back the last of the Egyptian territory in Sinai occupied by Israel. (peace options—page 8) Officials said the projected visits were a sign that this hope might soon be realized. The semi-official newspaper Al Ahrar reported that important contacts have taken place recently between President Mubarak and Sultan Qaboos on Arab issues. The first glimmer of a break in Egypt's isolation came after Israel handed back its last holdings in Sinai to Egyptian control on April 25. Congratulatory messages arrived in Cairo from His Majesty King Hussein and Morocco's King Hassan. It was their first public contact with Egypt in three years.

Egyptian opposition criticises Israeli restriction in Sinai

CAIRO (R) — The leader of Egypt's main opposition group has criticised restrictions on Egyptian troop movements in Sinai. Ibrahim Shukri of the Socialist Labour Party (SLP) said: "Israel's withdrawal from the Sinai peninsula last month would not make us forget that the restrictions imposed on our troops in number or location or the presence of international forces on our side of

the border undermines our sovereignty. "Israel must learn that such restrictions were not the only guarantee for its security, but good neighbourly relations and mutual confidence." Mr. Shukri's remarks were in an interview in the SLP organ Al Shaah, which resumed publication Tuesday after an eight-month ban.

500 sailors missing in sunken Argentine warship

LONDON (R) — About 500 Argentine sailors from the torpedoed cruiser General Belgrano were missing in the stormy South Atlantic Tuesday as Britain announced a new air strike against the only airport on the Falkland Islands. Naval sources in Buenos Aires said some 500 of the cruiser's 1,042-man crew had been picked up from life rafts but that a fleet of 15 rescue vessels was about to end its search for more survivors from the sunken warship. The Argentine military command reported earlier that only 400 men were known to have escaped with their lives from the General Belgrano, which was fatally crippled by a British submarine on Sunday. British Defence Minister John Nott told parliament that the cruiser had been attacked because it was closing in on elements of the task force sent by London to confront Argentine troops who seized the disputed Falklands colony on April 2. Mr. Nott also said British warplanes made a second strike Tuesday against the airport just outside the island's capital, Port Stanley, to render it totally useless for Argentine supply and ground attack aircraft. But the independent Argentine news agency Noticias Argentinas

quoted a military source as saying two British Harrier jump jets flew over the islands without launching a major attack. Britain says its first bombing raid last Saturday cratered the Port Stanley airfield and left it unusable for Argentine transport planes which had been flying in supplies and reinforcements for the 10,000-man garrison. The apparently heavy loss of life in the sinking of the General Belgrano, Argentina's second largest warship, dismayed a number of British allies and brought denunciations from Buenos Aires and Moscow. (See page 8)

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher expressed regret over the deaths of Argentine crewmen, but one of her aides said earlier: "We are not apologising." In a letter made public at the United Nations, Argentina called the torpedo attack a "totally unlawful and cruel operation" which seriously increased the gravity of the Falklands crisis. Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev condemned Britain's use of armed force, saying it smacked of "colonial brigandage." One Western diplomat in Washington said the Argentine air force might now launch an all-out assault on the British fleet.

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Historic ships in authentic settings mark Maritime England Year 1982

The English are an island race and the sea around their country has a great influence on their lives and culture. To their ancestors it was a challenge to be crossed in exciting and hazardous voyages to many parts of the world. As sea travel developed it became a means of trade, a first line of defence, a source of food and, since the development of steam locomotion, a place to enjoy seaside holidays and sea sports.

A fascinating collection of pictures, depicting historic ships in authentic settings, has been created at a London studio to mark Maritime England Year 1982.

"A pictorial voyage through a thousand years of seafaring" is the theme of the first major venture chosen by Alan Schmidt, an honour graduate in fine art, and the talented photographer, Robert Elsdale. Both acknowledged as experts in their separate fields of design and photography they have worked together for many years in the music and advertising industry and on international promotions. Now they have formed a new company, Historic Productions, to extend their interests into heritage and are currently working on two new projects concerned with the raising of the Tudor warship Mary Rose and an insight into Arms and Armour. The unique nature of their productions lies in a combination of specialised technical processes ranging from an advanced front projection system to the extraordinary qualities of dye transfer printing. This allows a freedom of approach to photographic imagery which enables many separate elements to be brought together in one picture.

Their creations begin with formal photographs of authentic ships models, ranging from 25 cm to 6 m in length, that represent the skill and craftsmanship required in the art of model making. Then following many weeks of patient research the ships are set in accurately reconstructed scenarios based on a millennium of history.

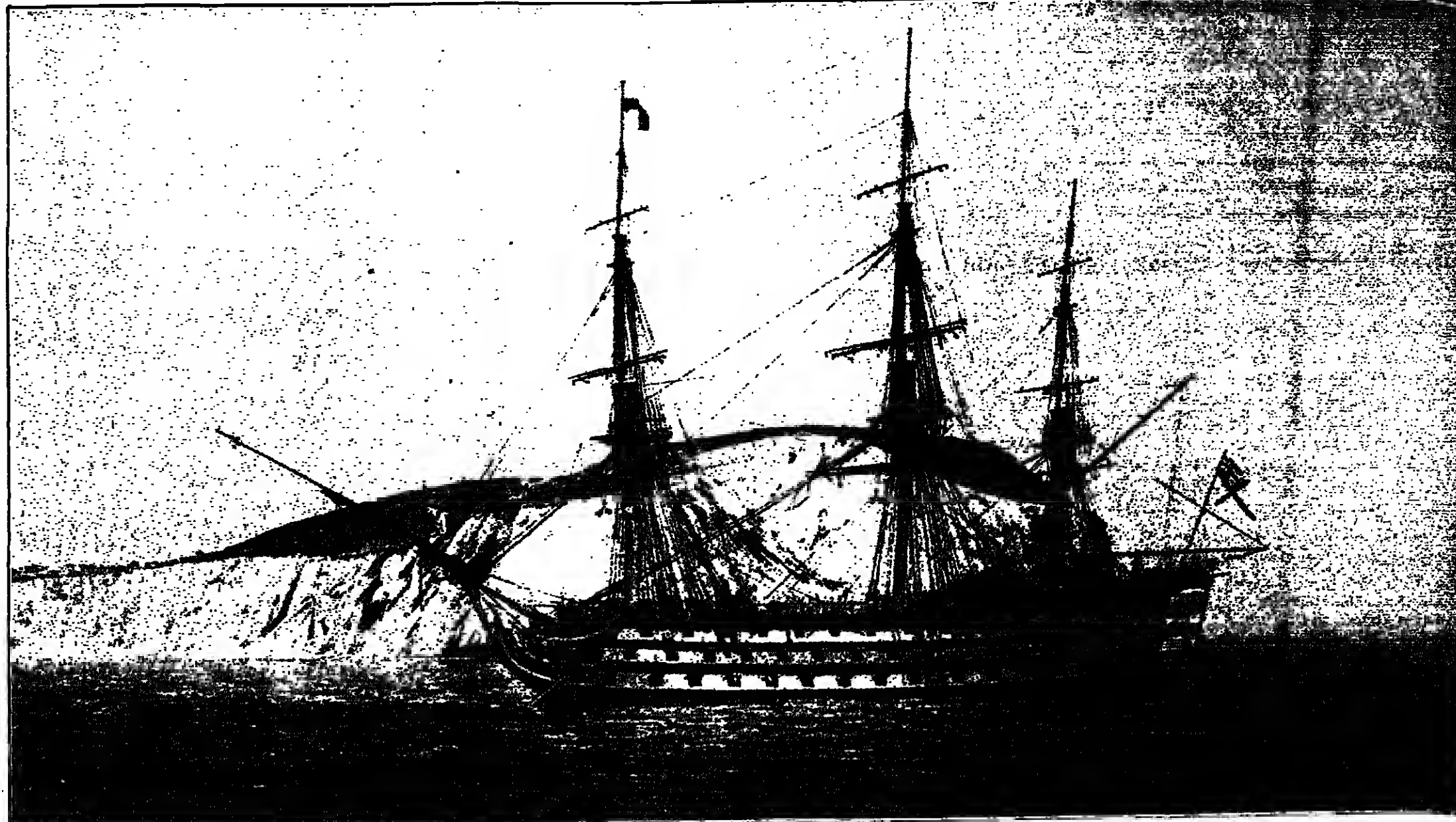
These fine art reproductions, available in a portfolio of 12 prints, include the Henri Grace a Dieu, one of the famous battle-ships built by King Henry VIII and known as the Great Harry. This vessel, which carried more guns and sail than any other contemporary ship, is seen moored off the Tower of London, which has been restored to its probable Tudor appearance with the aid of original 16th century drawings.

HMS Warrior, built in 1860, is the only steam ship in the set. She is seen against a rugged coastline at sunset. Warrior was the first iron-hulled battleship and was armoured with 114mm iron on 355mm of teak. HMS Bounty, originally built as a merchantman, called "The Berthia", was converted for naval service and renamed "Bounty" in 1787. She is seen making landfall at Tahiti with

a beautiful curving beach in the foreground. Bounty became famous because of the mutiny of her crew and her destruction by fire at Pitcairn Island. HMS Victory is seen off the Needles, Isle of Wight. This great warship was launched in 1765 and was the flagship of Horatio, Lord Nelson, at the Battle of Trafalgar. Cutty

Sark, built in 1869 and the sole survivor of the glamorous China clippers, is seen racing under full sail against her famous rival Thermopylae off the south coast of England. A Saxon Longship is set in a misty atmosphere with the peaks of an island in the background. These were clinker built ships of circa 900 AD, the type traditionally associated with King Alfred, "The Father of the English Navy."

The sources of the model ships — which include fragile and rare dockyard models — are many and varied. They include the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich. The Royal Naval Museum, Portsmouth, and model makers John Deering and Clive Knight whose



SPIRIT OF VICTORY: The famous English battleship HMS Victory at anchor off the Needles, Isle of Wight. Victory, was

launched in 1765, and after refitting in 1801, she achieved immortality for the English as the flagship of Horatio, Lord

Nelson, at the battle of Trafalgar in 1805, where the combined sea power of France and Spain was defeated.

skill produced the Great Harry and Ark Royal.

The fine portfolio of prints makes an important and interesting contribution to the activities associated with the English

Tourist Board's Maritime Year. It will undoubtedly attract the attention of historians, collectors, art lovers and those with a special interest in England's seafaring heritage.

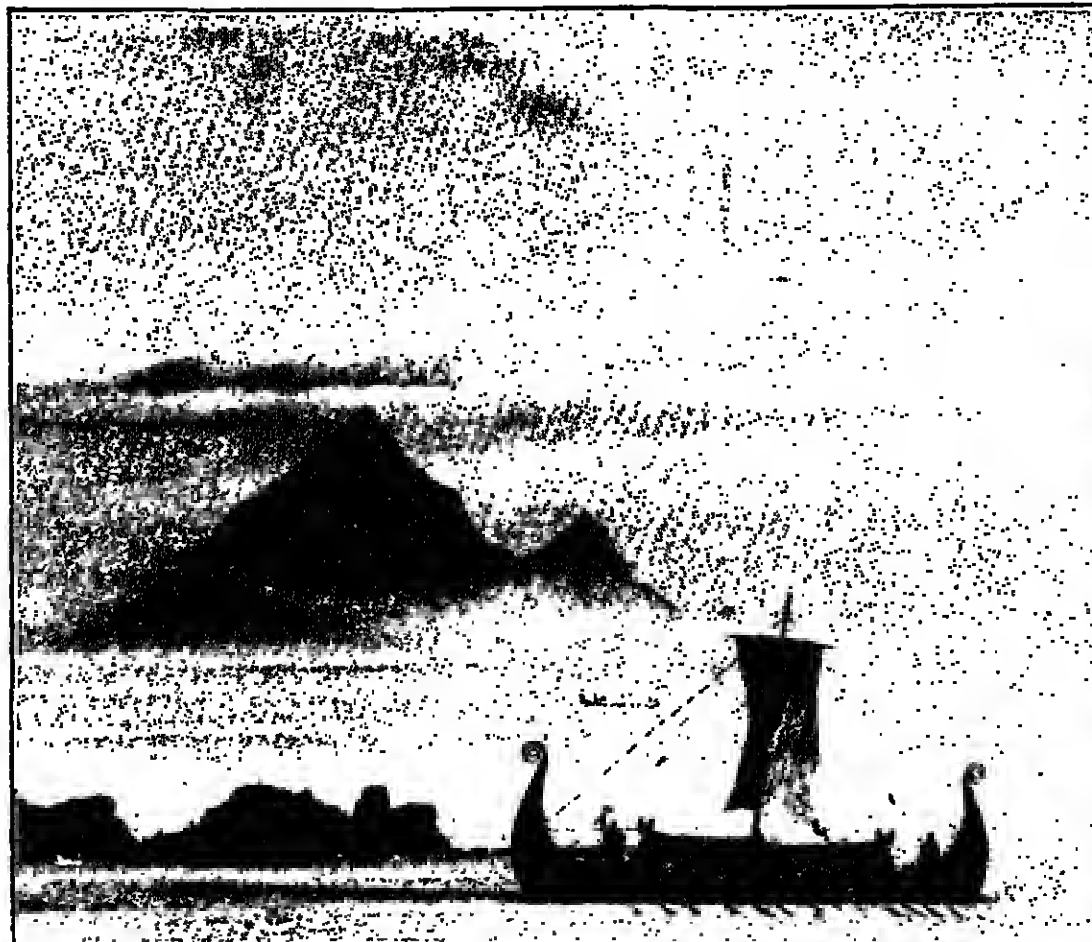
Over 2000 festivals, exhibitions, regattas, pageants and other events will be taking place in England during 1982. Special interest is expected to be aroused in the summer by the Cutty Sark tall

ships race which puts out from Falmouth on 25 July. Also during that month, and likely to attract even more attention, is the planned raising of the Mary Rose, Henry VIII's flagship which sank

in the Solent in 1554. The hull of Mary Rose is destined to become the centre-piece of a new maritime museum at Portsmouth.

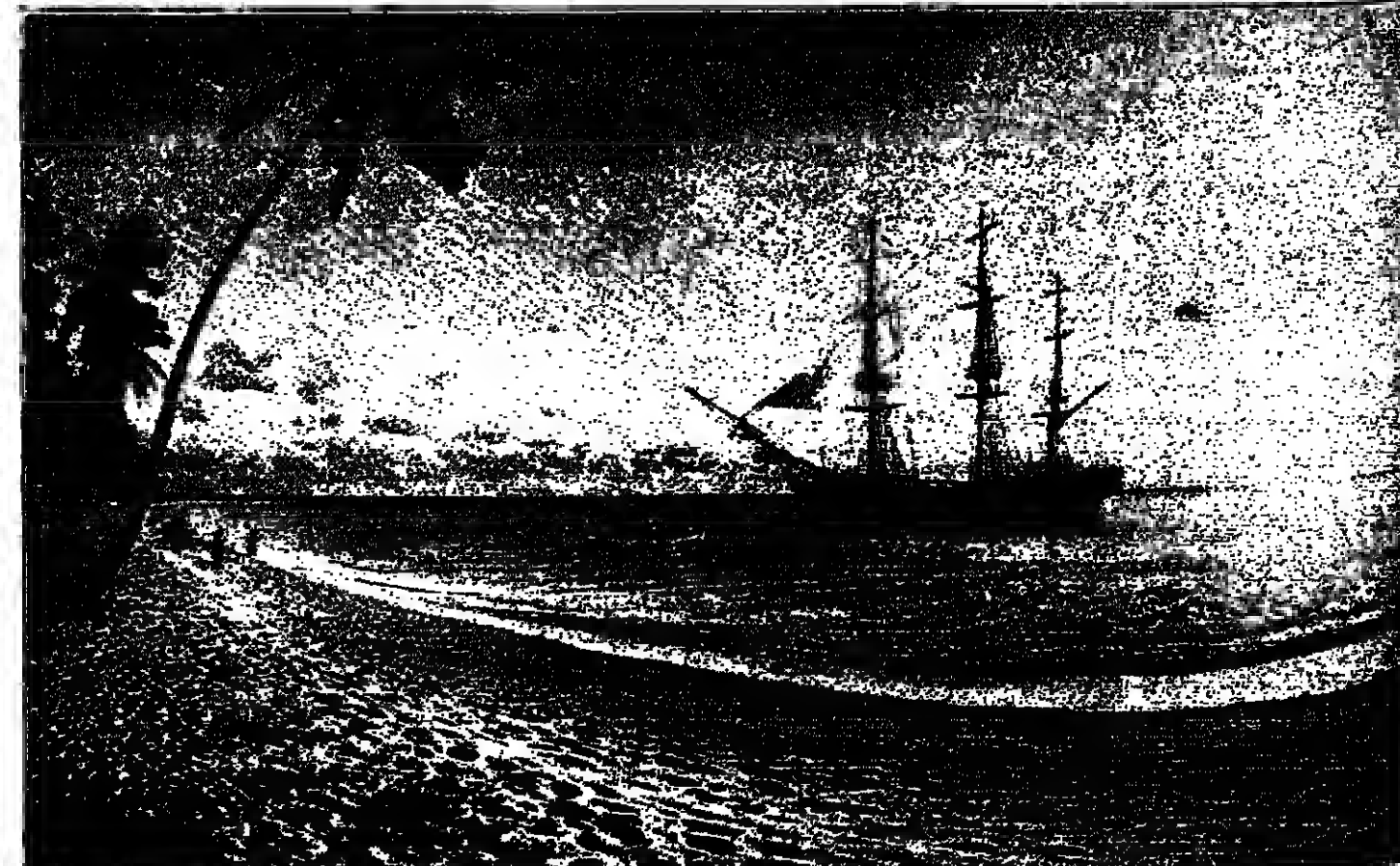
Another important vessel to be raised is Britain's first-ever sub-

marine. She was launched in 1901 and sank off Eddystone Lighthouse in 1913. This 104 ton submarine will eventually go on show at the Navy Submarine Museum, Gosport.



A Saxon Longship, circa 900 AD, set in a misty atmosphere (above) is the furthest look back into history in a series of pictures that has been created at a London studio to mark the English Tourist Board's Maritime England Year 1982. Right (top): Cutty Sark, the sole survivor of the glamorous tea clippers, is seen racing under full sail against her famous rival Thermopylae, off the south coast of England. Below (right): HMS Bounty arrives at

Tahiti once again; while the historic Tower of London (left) provides an authentic backdrop for Henri Grace a Dieu, most famous of the battle-ships built by King Henry VIII, and known as the Great Harry. The Model ships form the basis of a portfolio of 12 fine art reproductions produced by Alan Schmidt and photographer Robert Elsdale—London Pictures Service.



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By hook or crook Gothenburg of Sweden reaches UEFA Cup final

GOTHENBURG, Sweden (R)—Gothenburg of Sweden, whose downfall has been expected at nearly every stage of the competition, go into the European Football Union (UEFA) Cup final first leg here Wednesday facing another daunting task against

West Germany's Hamburg. Hamburg, the West German League leaders, are overwhelming favorites to win the two-leg tie but will need no reminding that their compatriots Kaiserslautern, having beaten Real Madrid in the quarter finals, were similarly fan-

ciated to beat the Swedish part-timers in the semifinals.

In the event Gothenburg won 3-2 on aggregate, extending their record unbeaten run to 33 games, and manager Sven-Goran Eriksson believes his players can achieve another upset to bring Sweden their first success in a major European club competition.

"Hamburg are much better than Kaiserslautern, but I think we can beat them, too," says Eriksson who joins Englishman Bob Houghton as the only manager to take a Swedish side to a European final. Houghton's Malmö lost 1-0 to Nottingham Forest in the 1979 European Cup final in Munich.

Gothenburg's chief assets are their strikers Torbjörn Nilsson, who has scored eight times in the competition, and Tommy Holmgren, who converted the first goal against Kaiserslautern.

The fact remains, though, that Hamburg should win. They have shown tremendous resilience in reaching the final, three times cancelling out first-leg deficits, and they have a depth of experience that Gothenburg cannot hope to match.

Soviets conquer Mount Everest

KATHMANDU (R)—Two Soviet climbers Tuesday reached the summit of Mount Everest, the world's highest peak, Nepal's Tourism Ministry announced.

A message received by the ministry from the base camp of the Soviet expedition said Vladimir Balyberdin, 33, of Leningrad, and Eduard Myslovsky, 45, of Moscow reached the top of the 8,848-metre mountain this afternoon and stayed there for 30 minutes.

The two mountaineers set out from the expedition's highest camp at 8,500 metres early in the morning and made their final bid with the help of bottled oxygen.

They are the first Soviet climbers ever to reach the world's highest peak or stand on any summit above 8,000 metres, the ministry said.

It was the first attempt by Soviet climbers on any mountain in the Nepalese Himalayas.

More members of the 20-man expedition led by Dr. Evgeny Tamm, 56, of Moscow, are expected to attempt the summit Wednesday.

The pair followed the line of Everest's west ridge, the boundary between Nepal and China and were told by Nepalese authorities not to step across the border.

It was cloudy and snowing when they reached the top after just over eight hours climbing.

They left nothing on the summit and found nothing left behind by previous expeditions.

How far Yugoslavia flies depends on 'Pigeon'

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (A.P.)—Yugoslavia will travel to Spain this summer looking for their first major World Cup success in 20 years. How far the Yugoslavs fly may depend on a player known as "The Pigeon."

He is Vladimir Petrovic, nicknamed Pizon (Pigeon in Serbo-Croat), the captain of Red Star Belgrade, Yugoslavia's best known and most successful club.

Petrovic is one of the two recognised kings of Yugoslav soccer, one of the men round whom the performance of the whole team will revolve.

The other is Sasek Susic, the captain of Sarajevo, the man who scored three goals against Argentina when Yugoslavia slammed the South Americans 4-1 in a friendly soon after Argentina won the last World Cup in 1978.

The two men have alternated as player of the year in Yugoslavia for the past four years, and Yugoslav soccer enthusiasts say the country has "two best players, not one." Both Susic and Petrovic are 27 and have said they are playing their last season in the Yugoslav League. That is the age after which the Yugoslav Soccer Federation allows its players to join



This is one of a series of feature stories on soccer teams that will play in the World Cup in Spain June 11-July 13. Yugoslavia will play in Group 5 along with Spain, Northern Ireland and Honduras.

foreign clubs.

Petrovic is reported ready to join Arsenal in London for a transfer fee of around \$800,000. Susic is rumored to have had contact with Real Madrid.

Both players missed most of the games in the European World Cup qualifying tournament. Susic was doing military service and Petrovic was recovering from a knee operation. But they are probably the only two players who are sure of places in the starting lineup in Spain.

Petrovic is a midfielder who masterminds the team's game, giving unexpected and accurate passes to his forwards. Susic is a merciless executioner in front of goal.



When the Yugoslav season resumed in February after the mid-season break, Susic hit brilliant form. He scored twice and assisted in four other goals in the first game for Sarajevo. In every game since he has been in top form, constantly in action near the opponent's goal.

Petrovic's appearances have been restricted by a nagging, recurring muscle injury, but he was expected to be fit long before the World Cup.

Susic is a stocky, strong player who shoots equally well with both feet. He is called the happy bachelor of Sarajevo and his name is linked romantically with a Yugoslav dance at the Crazy Horse saloon in Paris.

Petrovic, a family man with two young daughters, is the quieter of the two but has unchallenged authority on the field.

The Yugoslav coach, Miljan

Miljanic, 51, said he hoped not to make many changes in the team that took Yugoslavia through the qualifying rounds.

"They are a good, compact team, made up of experienced and young players, and it is really the best we have now that Susic and Petrovic are back," the coach said.

The backbone of the team includes the twin brothers Slatko and Zoran Vujovic, who can be identified only by the numbers on their shirts. Slatko was Yugoslavia's top scorer in the qualifying games, averaging a goal per game. His brother plays more in the defensive line, but scores almost as frequently for their club, Hajduk Split.

Another star sure to go to Spain is 27-year-old Veltimir Zajec, captain and sweeper of Dinamo Zagreb, a graceful player who has been called the Yugoslav Franz Beckenbauer. He resembles the former German captain in the way he turns defence into attack.

Yugoslavia will compete in the World Cup final pool for the seventh time but the first time since 1972. It has twice reached the semifinals.

The draw has put Yugoslavia in Group 5 with host nation Spain, Northern Ireland and long-shot outsider Honduras.

Yugoslavia's clashes with Spain have been classic and often stormy encounters. They played in an epic play-off for the last place in the World Cup in Germany in 1972, and Yugoslavia won 1-0. Spain won 1-0 in the qualifications for the World Cup in Argentina in 1978, but Yugoslavia won 1-0 when the teams met again in Valencia in a European Championships game in 1979.

They will meet in Valencia again in this year's World Cup.

"Playing before a partisan Spanish crowd will be a big problem for us," said Miljanic, a cautious coach who does not like to make predictions. But he said Yugoslavia should beat Northern Ireland in Zaragoza June 17.

Miljanic plans no international warm-up games before Spain.

"We have players based abroad playing in five different national leagues, and getting them for friendlies will be impossible," he explained. "There is not much use in having games without the full team."

"There is another problem. Our League programme is very crowded. Games are played twice a week in Yugoslavia, and we just don't have the free dates."

The Yugoslav League programme has been shortened and will end May 2 because of the World Cup. Miljanic plans to take his squad for final preparations before going to Spain.

Coe, Ovett meet to promote race

LONDON (R)—Olympic champions Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett had a rare meeting here Tuesday—but it was all talk and no running.

The two Britons, who have not met in a race since Ovett won the 800 metres and Coe the 1,500 metres at the 1980 Moscow Olympics, came together to promote the first of three races they are due to have this summer.

This will be the 3,000 metres in a match against Spain, Kenya and Japan in London on July 17, the first time they will have met on British soil.

The two men shook hands, at the request of photographers, and both predicted that despite injury problems their races against one another would be fast.

Ovett, who had an operation after rupturing a leg muscle in winter training, commented: "There are not many things left in

athletics which motivate me a great deal. But these races interest me considerably. I am looking forward to them."

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Coe, who has been hampered by foot trouble, said: "They will certainly be fast. I hope they turn out to be three fine races and prove to be the centrepiece of the season."

The other two races have not been finalised but are expected to be an 800 metres in Nice, France, and a mile in the United States.

"I think that of the three races the 3,000 metres will be the toughest," said Coe, who is the world record holder for the 800 metres, one mile and 1,000 metres. "I haven't run a major 3,000 metres outdoors. But to be a top middle-distance runner you have to be a good all-rounder."

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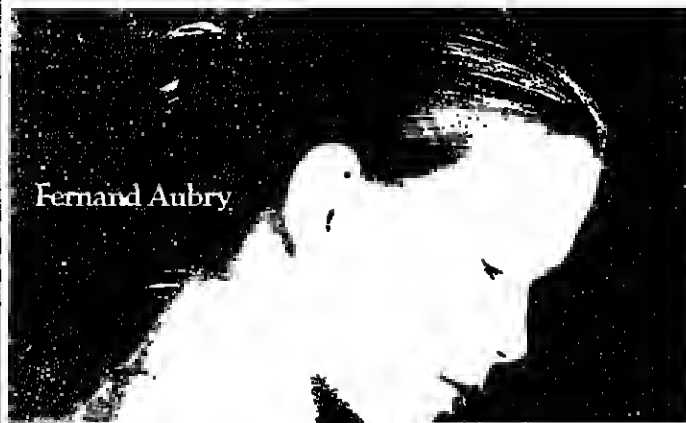
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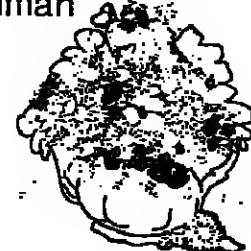
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Eastern Europe boosts nuclear power programmes

By Kenneth Jautz
Associated Press

VIENNA — While plans for nuclear power plants are being abandoned in the West because of growing expense and opposition, Eastern Europe is forging ahead with ambitious power projects. The communist countries of Eastern Europe are planning to increase sharply their reliance on nuclear power and have set high goals for expansion.

Figures from the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) indicate there are 46 nuclear power plants in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. Forty more are under construction. That would be the greatest percentage increase in nuclear power output by 1990 of any region on the globe, the agency said.

The region's trend toward nuclear power was accelerated by the poor performance of the Soviet bloc's centrally planned economies last year.

In the United States, construction is being stopped on 19 atomic plants, partly because of fierce resistance on the part of local communities, according to figures of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Washington reported here.

Increasing costs of construction and expensive safety features combined with a decreasing growth rate in demand for electricity also helped stop work on some U.S. atomic plants.

In recent months the government-run press of every East European nation has said the communist countries can no longer afford growing energy costs, caused in part by the price of imported oil. Most East European cities are dimly lit after dark and neon signs are uncommon. In cities throughout Romania, which

has one of the Soviet bloc's hardest-hit economies, authorities imposed regular cutoffs of electricity as part of a fuel-saving programme.

"Increases in energy production can only be obtained from the development of nuclear energy," Czechoslovakia's state-run Ceteka news agency said recently.

But in the West anti-nuclear demonstrators from France to the U.S. western state of California have battled police during the last year to stop nuclear power projects. They stopped further atomic construction in Belgium, halted work on what was to be France's largest nuclear power plant and continued to stall West German plans for new plants.

Although anti-nuclear demonstrations would not be permitted in Eastern Europe's communist societies, there are indications of some concern about nuclear safety in the Soviet bloc as well.

Official media reports of Eastern Europe's national nuclear programmes are infrequent, but most dispatches emphasize the environmental protection measures that the communist governments say will be included in any atomic plants built in their countries.

In the earthquake-prone Balkans, Romanian officials say the location for their first nuclear plant at Cernavoda was chosen because of strong rock foundations.

In 1977, the foundation of a 440-megawatt atomic plant under construction in southwest Romania cracked after an earthquake struck the region. The project was later abandoned.

Hungarian reports on construction of the country's first atomic plant at Paks, in central Hungary, have highlighted measures that officials say will be taken to protect the waters of the Danube from contamination.

Nuclear power plants and planned projects

East Germany — five nuclear plants are in operation with a combined capacity of 1,740 megawatts, or 12 per cent of the country's domestically generated electricity. Four more are under construction with a combined capacity of 1,644 megawatts.

Czechoslovakia — two reactors in Slovenia are under construction with a planned output of 2,520 megawatts.

Hungary — A 440-megawatt plant will go on line this summer, and a 376-megawatt plant is slated to be in operation by 1985.

Poland — Construction began this year on a plant not far from Gdansk.

Yugoslavia — A 632-megawatt plant went on line at Krsko, in Northern Yugoslavia, last October. Plans call for 10 plants to begin operation by the end of the century.

Romania — A 660 megawatt plant is under construction in eastern Romania, and is supposed to be operational by 1985. Officials say three more plants should be completed by 1990.

Bulgaria — Three plants are in operation, with a combined capacity of 1,224 megawatts. Two more are under construction, totalling 1,408 megawatts.

Soviet Union — 35 plants were in operation as of last October, producing 14,046 megawatts and 25 are under construction with a planned added capacity of 24,260 megawatts. Fourteen more plants are being planned.

Sources: Eastern Europe's official press and IAEA

Congress may approve budget-balancing amendment

By Andrew Nibley
Reuter

WASHINGTON — American voters, state legislatures and President Reagan's massive budget deficits may force Congress this year to approve a constitutional amendment limiting its own authority to spend and tax.

Members of Congress have traditionally been reluctant to tamper with the U.S. constitution, a relatively simple document that has been the foundation for political, economic and judicial policies for more than 200 years.

The constitution, which established Congress, the Presidency and the Supreme Court, has been amended only 16 times since 1791. Any constitutional amendment passed by Congress must still be approved by three quarters of the states before it can become law.

But pressures are building this year that may compel Congress to act on what has become known as a budget-balancing constitutional amendment.

Recent public opinion polls show that nearly 85 per cent of the American electorate favours a balanced budget and almost 70 per cent think it should be required by the constitution.

In addition, 31 of the 50 state legislatures have exercised their rights to petition Congress to call a constitutional convention for the purpose of passing a budget-balancing resolution.

Only three more states are needed before Congress will be forced to call such a convention. If the convention approved an amendment, it would then be sent back to the 50 state legislatures for possible ratification.

Treasury Secretary Donald Regan recently endorsed the idea of a budget-balancing amendment

and a top White House aide has predicted that it would be approved by President Reagan and endorsed by the Senate.

But the amendment itself would not actually require Congress to balance the budget. Instead it would limit the amount of taxes Congress could raise and the money it could spend in a given year to the amount of growth in the economy in the preceding year. For example, if the economy grew by 10 per cent one year, Congress would be allowed to raise taxes and spending only 10 per cent in the following year.

Proponents concede that a deficit would result if the economy should suddenly slide into recession, as it has this year, causing tax receipts to be much lower than anticipated. But they argue that its main intent is not to balance the budget but to limit the growth of government spending.

They note the amendment has a safety valve allowing Congress, on a three-fifths vote in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, to go outside the tax and spending limits of the amendment in a critical economic year.

The amendment has won growing numbers of backers this year. Congress is currently grappling with the President's 1983 budget, which projects unprecedented deficits of nearly \$100 billion for this year and next.

Virtually every member of Congress has publicly deplored the deficit projections, saying they will either re-ignite inflation or keep U.S. interest rates at such high levels that economic recovery will be improbable, if not impossible.

Backers of the budget-balancing amendment said last week they are only six votes short of winning Senate approval and 11 votes shy of winning passage in the House.

How many more?

A RECENT article distributed by the International Communications Agency, the official American information arm around the world, spoke of the Afghan rebels in glowing terms (as, indeed, is appropriate), calling them "freedom fighters" and the "resistance", and described how they have continued to challenge the Soviet-installed regime in Kabul. During the same week that this article was presented to the world by the United States, one heard an enormous silence from Washington about the continuing resistance of the Palestinians against Israeli rule. What does one conclude?

Does the United States government not mind very much when Israeli-financed and supported troops routinely use live ammunition to fire at crowds of Palestinian schoolchildren armed with sticks and stones? Does it mind just a little bit? Does it not mind at all? Does it not mind very much if only 10 or 15 Palestinians are killed by Israeli bullets? Does it care at all that the Israeli state's occupying authority that is dismissing freely

elect Palestinian mayors is the same authority that claims to share the democratic ideals of the United States? Does Washington understand that the rest of the world notices clearly when it makes a mockery of its own ideals by hailing the Afghan resistance while providing the cash that permits Israel to fire bullets into crowds of schoolchildren armed with sticks and stones?

We wonder: Does Ronald Reagan have on his desk a picture of a Palestinian child with a stomach ripped out or a head cracked open by the force of an American-financed Israeli bullet? Would he like to have such a picture? Does he care? Does he feel? Does he know what the word resistance means? Does his map include any countries with resistance forces other than Afghanistan? Has he ever had cause to pick up a stone and hurl it at an occupying power? How many Palestinian schoolchildren have to die before he and his people wake up to what their money is doing in Palestine? 25? 65? 250? 6,000? How many, Mr. Reagan?

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

The symbol of unity

AL RA'I: The National Consultative Council's reply to His Majesty King Hussein's speech expressed the Jordanian people's pledge to stand by the King in order to enrich our democratic experience. The NCC reply stressed our people's positive participation and firm efforts to strengthen our solidarity and our national commitment in order to keep Jordan a haven of security and stability where man enjoys complete respect. The reply also reflected the Jordanian people's determination to turn Jordan into an important and effective factor in the growth and development of the Arab World.

The reply also concentrated on Jordan's priorities which include the liberation of Jerusalem and the regaining of all the occupied Arab territories. It also reiterated Jordan's firm support for the rebels of the West Bank and Iraq. It welcomed the return of Sinai to Egypt and expressed hope for Egypt's return to the Arab fold.

Our National Consultative Council looked up to King Hussein as the symbol of accord and solidarity in the Arab World. His Majesty has always sought to establish Arab unity and solidarity. The reply is a warning to those people who try to place obstacles in the way of the Arab march.

The members of the council also stressed the importance of justice and the existence of a wider sector of people who benefit from development plans and projects. They stressed the need to strengthen and boost education, as well as the need for modernising laws and enforcing the sovereignty of law in our society.

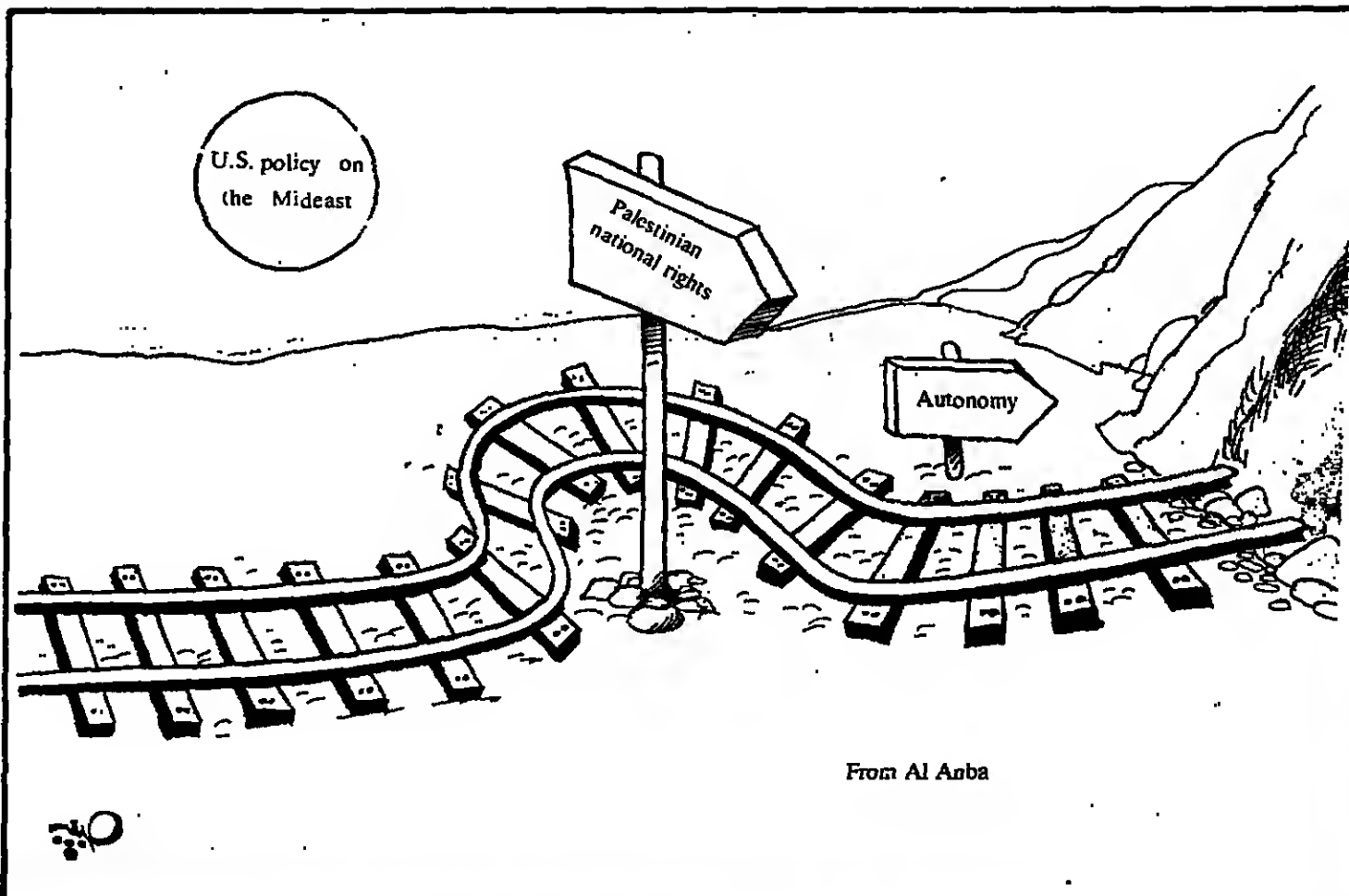
The council finally expressed our people's pride in the army which remains alert to defend our homeland and our rights.

In the people's hearts

AL DUSTOUR: The National Consultative Council's reply to His Majesty's speech was an honest expression of what surges in the hearts of the Jordanian people. It expressed the people's loyalty and appreciation of the King's efforts to build Jordan, serve the nation and realise its pan-Arab goals and aspirations.

The difficult situation in the region strengthened the King's determination to shoulder the responsibility and carry out the trust. He overcame these difficulties and went ahead with the construction of the country, strengthened national unity and built Jordan's military and economic power. Under the wise leadership of King Hussein Jordan has been able to confront hardships, accomplish social development and economic prosperity and assume a distinguished position in the Arab and international arenas.

King Hussein's efforts have not been limited to internal construction. He made sure to turn Jordan's economic and military strength into basic pillars of the pan-Arab policy in which this country has always believed. Jordan has always believed that it is its sacred duty to defend Arab issues, particularly the Palestinian problem, and to unite the Arabs and build their strength. Only through this can Arabs liberate occupied Arab lands, regain their rights and remain steadfast against foreign dangers.



'Straight jacket'

Most of the amendment's detractors in Congress, such as Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts, complain it would place members in a "straight-jacket" and limit their ability to move quickly during difficult economic times.

But backers say that even if Congress were to adopt the amendment this year, it would be logistically impossible for it to take effect before the 1986 financial year. This, they say, should give Congress more than enough time to adjust.

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Pears	450	400
Garlic	240	200
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Potatoes (local)	180	140
Broad Beans	120	90
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Pound shrugs off war worries

LONDON (R) — The pound sterling rose Tuesday to its highest level since the Falklands crisis began a month ago, while the London stock market also shrugged off war worries and moved up strongly.

Dealers said sterling's resilience on the South Atlantic air and naval engagements in the last few days possibly reflected international funds moving out of the recently weaker dollar into the pound rather than the West German mark. The higher interest rate

return in London was probably a factor, they said.

Sterling's trade-weighted index against the currencies of other major countries rose to 90.3 per cent of its 1975 level, the highest since the dispute with Argentina began. On Friday, before a holiday weekend in London, the index was at 89.6.

The pound was quoted at 4.2225 marks here, sharply above Friday's closing 4.1830. It also held firm against the dollar at \$1.8067, although below Mon-

day's New York closing.

Foreign exchange trading was thin but still nervous, with operators reluctant to take up any sizeable positions in sterling because of Falklands uncertainty, dealers said.

Analysts said the continuing strength of the British markets and sterling was probably partly due to capital flows and interest rates as well as developments in the Falklands crisis.

They said the foreign exchange market had demonstrated its relief

that the crisis has not turned into a military setback that could threaten the future of Mrs. Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government. The latest public opinion poll shows strengthened voter support for the government, whose anti-inflation policies are favoured by most financiers.

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China expects budget deficit to reach \$1.66b in 1982

PEKING (R) — China, announcing its spending plans for this year, said Tuesday it expected a budget deficit of three billion yuan (\$1.66 billion), about the same as the 1981 shortfall.

Premier Zhao Ziyang said last November that the 1981 budget deficit was likely to total 2.7 billion yuan (\$1.5 billion), well below the previous year's 12.7 bil-

lion yuan (\$7.1 billion).

The standing committee of the National People's Congress (NPC), China's parliament, approved total revenue for this

year of 110.45 billion yuan (\$61.4 billion) and expenditure of 113.45 billion yuan (\$63 billion), according to the New China News Agency (NCNA).

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — The market was firm Tuesday in subdued trading, dealers said.

Despite the escalation of the Falklands conflict over the long holiday weekend, few operators were willing to sell or go short of stock because they expect prices to rise sharply once the dispute is settled, dealers added. The F.T. index rose 10.4 to 583.5.

GEC rose 18p to 867 and Sainsbury was up 20p at 650 ahead of 1981 results due Wednesday. GEC, Beecham, Hawker Siddeley, ICI and Plessey were up between 8p and 12p. North Americans and gold producers were lower.

U.K. government bonds ended well below the former levels indicated late Friday but still as much as 1/2 point above Friday's close, helped by the resilience of sterling, dealers said.

Total ended a penny lower at 40 1/2 in quiet trade following full year results. Anderson Strathclyde ended 12p higher at 139 after 140 following the bid from Charter Cons which has been rejected by the company.

Bats added 9p to 460 and leading banks ended 7p to 10p firmer. British Aerospace and Hawker Siddeley gained 11p and 8p respectively.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Tuesday.

One sterling	1.8067/2	U.S. dollars
One U.S. dollar	1.2266/69	Canadian dollars
	2.3375/85	West German marks
	2.5938/58	Dutch guilders
	1.9520/30	Swiss francs
	43.94/99	Belgian francs
	6.0860/90	French francs
	179.25/1297.25	Italian lire
	337.05/31	Japanese yen
	5.8106/20	Swedish crowns
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IEA expects bright prospects for gas

PARIS (R) — Natural gas could become an increasingly important energy source for industrial nations, but the extent of its development depends on future price levels and security of supplies, according to a report issued Tuesday.

A study by the International

Energy Agency (IEA) said that, assuming healthy economic growth, use of gas by the 24 major nations that form the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) could be as high as 1.02 billion tonnes of oil equivalent in the year 2000, compared with 740 million now.

The security aspects of natural gas have assumed greater significance recently because of the prospect of higher imports—West European nations are expected to raise imports from less than 12 per cent of total gas supplies now to around 50 per cent in the next 20 years, it noted.

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Project named after Prince Talal

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein has approved the naming of the Rusaifeh labour housing project after Prince Talal bin Mohammad. The project contains 500 housing units benefiting company and plant workers in the area.

Gulf studies expert delivers lecture

AMMAN (Petra) — Dr. Mohammad Ali Al Dawud, an expert on the Arab Gulf studies, delivered a lecture on Tuesday evening at the World Affairs Council on the "Arab Gulf and international relations." Dr. Dawud reviewed the history of the Arab Gulf area since the 16th century, emphasising the Arabism of the Gulf geographically and historically. He said the Gulf area was the target of colonial movements because of its unique strategic location and oil wealth. He recalled in this connection Iraq's confrontation of these ambitions, particularly the Iranian ambitions. Dr. Dawud said Zionist and Iranian ambitions have the same objective of undermining the security of the Gulf, and this is confirmed by the military cooperation between Iran and Israel. He added that the Arab Gulf area is a very important area for national Arab security, and this should prompt the Arabs to safeguard its security as a national asset. The lecture was attended by several members of the council.

EEC gives sugar to refugees

AQABA (Petra) — A shipment of 1,000 tonnes of sugar arrived in Aqaba as part of the donations provided for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA) by the European Economic Community (EEC).

Villages connected to water network

AMMAN (Petra) — Thirteen villages in the Jerash district began as of Tuesday getting potable water for the first time from a modern 26-KM long network. The project was opened by Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Hassan Al Momani, in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Water Supply Corporation. The project is the second to be implemented by the corporation in Jerash district this year as part of the corporation's plan to supply the various villages and population centres with potable water. The cost of the project is JD 316,000 and it has a pumping unit which includes two 225 kilowatt power generators each. It also includes six pumping units, three to be used as spare units.

Road paved between Hemmah, Ghor

IRBID (Petra) — Irbid Governorate Public Works Department has completed asphaltting Al Mukheibeh-Al Adasiyeh road. This nine-kilometre long road links the tourist sites lying between the Jordanian Hemmah (hot springs) and the northern Ghor district.

Tourism committee to meet in Amman

AMMAN (Petra) — Arab Tourism Union Executive Committee will begin its meetings in Amman on May 15. The committee will discuss the best ways for ensuring a successful Arab participation in the international conference on tourism, which will be held in Acapulco, Mexico, in August. The committee will also discuss procedures for approving the establishment of the Arab Tourism Organisation.

Irbid health problems discussed

IRBID (Petra) — The public safety and health committee in Irbid governorate held a meeting on Tuesday morning under Irbid Governor 'Abd Khalaf Dawudiyeh to make the necessary arrangements for coping with the health problems which could crop up in the summer.

Idris receives model drivers

AMMAN (Petra) — Public Security Director Lt.-Gen. Mohammad Idris received at his office on Tuesday the ideal drivers, Hamdi Mohammad Al Khatib and Saqr Saleh Mustafa Malhas, on the occasion of the international traffic day. The two drivers have never committed any traffic violations during their 30 years of service. Boy and girl scouts participated in regulating traffic in Amman streets under the supervision of traffic policemen on this occasion.

Hotel graduates to work locally

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan Hotels and Resthouses Corporation (RESTCO) officials said that the Hotel College instructions oblige its graduates to work in local hotels for two years after graduation. They added that graduates who fulfilled this obligation were allowed to work at public and private sectors without any further obligations.

Iraq praises Jordan's support for convening APU meeting

AMMAN (Petra) — Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Al Talhoumi received on Tuesday a cable from Speaker of the Iraqi National Council Na'im Haddad praising the house's support for convening an emergency meeting of the Arab Parliamentary Union (APU) to discuss the Syrian anti-Iraqi stand which is also hostile to the supreme Arab interest.

It will be recalled that Iraqi National Council member Sah'awi Ibrahim had visited Jordan at the head of an Iraqi parliamentary delegation and discussed with the officials of the Upper House of Parliament the question of summoning the APU to an emergency meeting to discuss the closure of the Syrian-Iraqi borders and halting the pumping of Iraqi oil across Syrian territory.

The Upper House of Parliament sent an urgent cable and a detailed letter to APU Chairman Kamel Al As'ad supporting Iraq's request for convening an APU emergency meeting to discuss this Syrian anti-Iraqi stand.

U.N. Palestine committee to visit Jordan Saturday

By Suzanne Zu'mut-Black
Special to the Jordan Times

A United Nations special committee formed to investigate the situation in the occupied West Bank will meet with eyewitnesses here on Saturday and Sunday.

A Foreign Ministry official told the Jordan Times that the committee—which also visited Jordan last year—is delegated by the U.N. General Secretary Javier de Cuellar to investigate the present state of affairs in the occupied West Bank.

During its two days of interviews, the committee will listen to accounts of eye-witnesses, who will include deportees and former detainees by the Israeli authorities.

During their eight-day stay in Jordan, which starts Wednesday, members of the committee will meet with Minister of Foreign Affairs Marwan Al Qasem and the Minister of Information Adnan Abu Odeh. They will also visit the Schneller and Baq'a camps.

30,000 books on exhibition at Yarmouk University

By Nujoud Goussous
Special to the Jordan Times

IRBID — The Best Ways To Cook, Saladdin Al-Ayoubi, 140 Ways to Know Your Body, Wool-Work,..... These are a few titles of the 30,000 books at the Yarmouk University book exhibition.

This exhibition was opened by the University President Dr. Adnan Badran Monday April 26 and will end Thursday May 6. It is held at the University's library, and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The decision to hold the exhibition was first made by the Yarmouk library employees on the basis that only Arab universities should participate, by sending publications of their teaching staff. This idea did not really work because the publications of Arab universities were not enough to constitute an exhibition. Therefore Jordanian bookshops and printers were asked to join in. The books they presented are sold at special prices.

The universities which participated were, Yarmouk University, universities of Jordan, Baghdad, Khartoum, King Sa'ud, Qatar, Aleppo, Lebanon, San'a, United Arab Emirates and the Islamic University. The books these universities offered to the exhibition are to be donated to the University's library afterwards.

As for the bookshops and printing industries' contributions, Dr. Adnan Badran ordered two copies of each book in the exhibition for the university library, except those that they donated to the university

library.

Mr. Suleiman Mustafa of the Yarmouk University library said that some books in the exhibition were sold at the publisher's recommended price or lower, keeping all the time a low profit margin. But it was difficult to do this with Iraq and Tunisian books. The exchange rate between the Jordan dinar and the Iraqi dinar made it impossible to reduce the cover charge without running a loss. Tunisian books, however, are more expensive than the Iraqi books because the latter are subsidised by the Iraqi government, whereas the Tunisian books are printed by the private sector in Tunisia.

Some criticisms were raised by the visitors of the exhibition and by university students, mainly that there were no English books except at dictionaries, and university text-books that were sold at lower prices than those of the university bookshop. A second thing was that the sale that was supposed to be, did not really exist. A third criticism was that adequate care was not taken of the books exhibited, probably due to the big number of books (about 30,000).

On the whole, the exhibition was very successful in the sense that people from various schools and towns in Jordan visited it and bought books which probably they did not think could be found in bookshops in Jordan. Yet it must be pointed out that none of these books were published after 1979-1980, except for the Iraqi and Tunisian books.

Swedish trade delegation due here Thursday

AMMAN (Petra) — A Swedish trade delegation comprising 20 persons representing the public and private sectors in Sweden will arrive in Amman on Thursday for a five-day visit to Jordan. During the visit, the delegation will have talks with a number of Jordanian officials on ways to strengthen and develop trade between the two countries. The delegation will also discuss with representatives of the private sector in Jordan the possibility of implementing joint projects between the two countries.

Qasem leaves for Jerusalem Committee meeting in Morocco

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Foreign Affairs Marwan Al Qasem led on Tuesday Jordan's delegation to the meetings of the sixth session of the Jerusalem Committee and the meetings of the Jerusalem Fund Board of Administration which will begin on Wednesday, May 5, in Fes, Morocco.

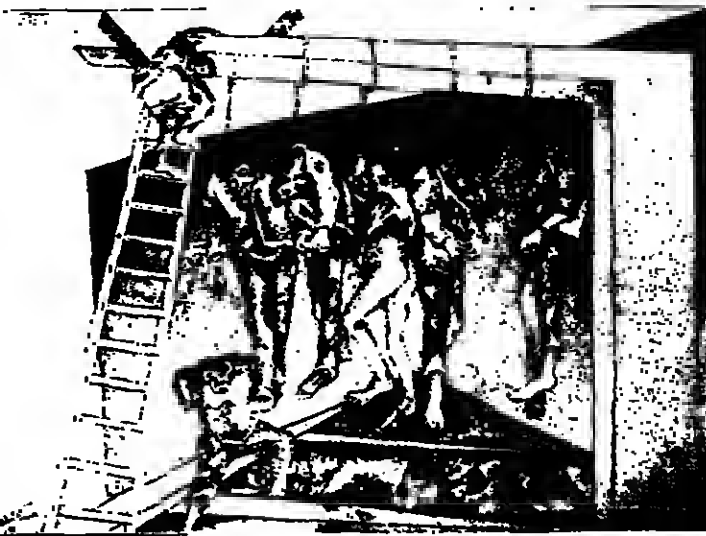
Mr. Al Qasem declared that Jordan's participation in these meetings is part of the efforts exerted by the Islamic World and is, at the same time, based on His Majesty King Hussein's interest and concern to safeguard the Arab and Islamic character of Holy Jerusalem and protect all the Islamic and Christian holy places in the city. He stressed that Jordan's participation is also part of the efforts being exerted by King Hussein on the Arab, Islamic and international arenas to prevent the Israeli occupation authorities from carrying their schemes of Judaizing and annexing Jerusalem.

Mr. Qasem added that the Jordanian delegation

will acquaint members of the committee with what is taking place in the Holy City, particularly the continuous Israeli aggressions on the Islamic holy places which culminated in the criminal attack on Al Aqsa Mosque on April 11.

He explained that the Jordanian delegation will submit a work paper dealing with immediate and urgent measures that must be carried out to support the steadfastness of the citizens and the establishments in Jerusalem, such as Al Aqsa Restoration Committee, the Higher Islamic Awqaf Council and the International Islamic Commission, and to repair the damage inflicted on Al Aqsa by the recent Israeli crime.

Mr. Qasem added that the Jordanian work paper stresses the need to strengthen Arab and Islamic solidarity, to build Arab and Islamic strength, mobilise all capabilities to stop Israel's plans in Jerusalem and the Arab territories and to put an end to occupation.



Adnan Yahya



Mohammad Abu Zreik

Paintings like these should bring home to the West the reality of a situation from which it wants to distance itself

ART REVIEW

Palestine problem inspires Jordanian political artists

By Meg Abu Hamdan
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — With violence and aggression occurring daily so close to their homes and hearts it is small wonder that so many of Jordan's younger generation of artists portray this aspect of their environment in their art. The Palestine problem is an all-consuming one and it is from this that the difference between Jordanian political art and that of the West stems. While the former restricts itself to just the one problem the latter tackles all kinds of issues from feminism to apartheid. What both kinds of political commentary do share unfortunately is an inability to force change.

This realisation of the limitations of political art should not and indeed does not stop the Jordanian artists persisting in their attempts to depict their anger and despair; for although it may not change the situation, at least it makes the viewer more aware. If seen in the West these paintings and drawings would serve as a reminder of the situation from which it seems to want to distance itself. But even if Jordanian political art does not achieve this end, it still serves as a safety valve through

which the local artists can give full vent to their emotions.

But because Jordanian political artists often do just that—pour out their feelings on paper and canvas—they tend to hammer out their ideas with a cudgel instead of quietly piercing the issue more effectively with the deadly keenness of the rapier. Two artists however who are using this latter weapon more and more effectively are Adnan Yahya and Mohammad Abu Zreik, whose joint exhibition opened at the Soviet Cultural Centre, Monday.

Over the last two years, Yahya's style has remained essentially the same. With painstaking care and detail, he still draws in pen and black ink the same emaciated, distorted figures, which gain much of their power to shock by being set in familiar everyday surroundings. But where in drawings two years ago were simple depictions of solitary despair and anguish they are now more aggressively explicit. His figures perform and suffer from atrocious acts of cruelty and violence, surrounded by objects full of complex symbolism. Like the clock and the wicker-seat chair which are reminders in these bleak tension-filled days of times more comfortable and secure. Where before the drawings

revealed just one event or emotion the present intricate renditions depict a series of interconnected events which compulsively hold the viewer's gaze with Escher-like fascination. It is this factor that makes Yahya's work so powerful but it is the peering of satire and humour with which he spices some of his works—which he achieves by employing his swift and unerring cartoonist abilities of being able to pick out and exaggerate the salient characteristics of a figure or a feeling—that gives his message the subtle edge of effectiveness.

Yahya's latest works tend towards the surreal and although very good, one feels that this is perhaps not the right direction for this young artist to follow. By becoming increasingly obscure—something I would not normally recommend, but not in this case—and by using the accepted and now unfortunately much used and abused imagery of that style, Yahya's work tends to lose its punch, its immediacy and originality—qualities which his other work certainly has and ones which Yahya should maintain and develop.

Because the work of Mohammad Abu Zreik is heavily influ-

enced by surrealism, the same criticisms apply. Influences from nearer home are, however, now seen in his work—his interlocking figures are highly reminiscent of those employed by Abu Zreik's friend and colleague, Ibrahim Al Najjar Abu Rubb—and if Abu Zreik continues to move away from surrealism he will perhaps not only attain a greater originality but will find a style better suited to his own technical abilities.

The exhibition runs until May 10.

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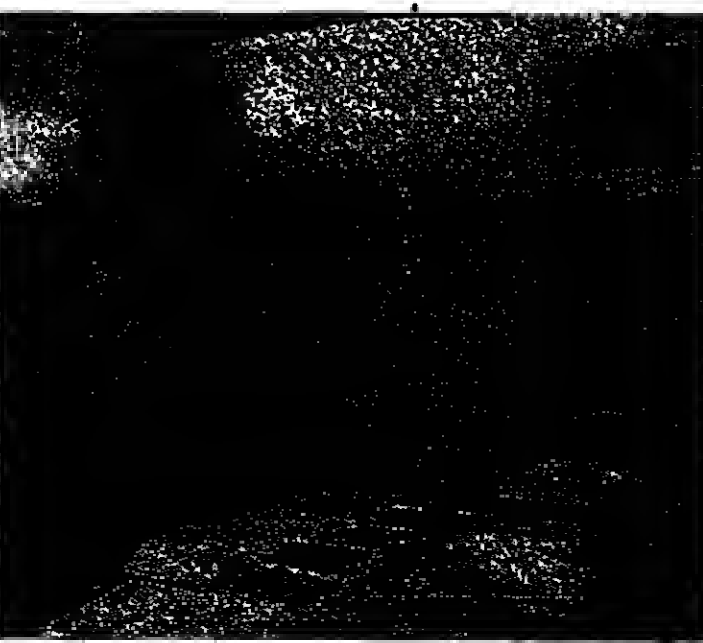
- Paintings by Ibrahim Al Shalabi, at the British Council.
- Trajectory 80: Spanish paintings at the Jordan National Gallery. Ends today.
- Exhibition of Oriental Tapestry, at the Alia Art Gallery, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and from 4 - 7 p.m.
- Paintings by Ayyad Al Nimer, opening at the Spanish Cultural Centre at 5:30 p.m.

Concert

- Featuring Marco Lenzi (violin) and Mario Caporale (piano) organised by the Ministry of Culture and Arts and the embassy of Italy, at the Sheraton Hotel at 7:30 p.m.

Lectures

- Coins of the Decapolis, by Christian Auge of the National Centre for Scientific Research at the French Cultural Centre at 6 p.m.
- One Hour in the World of Aviation, by Ali Gandhour at the AUB Alumni Club at 7 p.m.
- Energy Applications and Planning: Two lectures by Dr. Eng. Rainer Boenenberg at the Royal Scientific Society. 10 - 11 a.m. Applications of Alternative Energy Resources 11 - 11:30 a.m. Coffee break 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Energy Planning in Countries with Limited Resources



Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, president of the University of Jordan reviews the university annual festival exhibitions. To his left is the newly appointed Under-Secretary of Awqaf and Religious Affairs Abdul Salam Al Abbadi.

Majali patrons university festival

AMMAN (Petra) — University of Jordan President Abdul Salam Al Majali was patron on Tuesday to the university annual festival for the current academic year.

On the occasion, Dr. Majali opened several exhibitions. They included the exhibition of scientific production of the university colleges and departments which contained a number of graphs showing the activities and performance of the university in this year, in addition to several other scientific exhibitions.

Dr. Majali also opened an art exhibition for the university students and the Islamic art exhibition which included several paintings by the university students in addition to paintings representing Islamic architecture in the various ages.

Dr. Majali also opened the charitable bazaar of the university students, which included handicrafts, flowers, and traditional folkloric products in Jordan and other Arab countries.

The three-day festival will also include cultural, artistic, sports and other activities.

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How to stamp out a multi-million dollar racket

By Louise Kehoe

CALIFORNIA — "Software piracy is a multi-million dollar problem and it's getting worse. The value of illegal software copied and sold by pirates may equal the value of the legitimate software market," according to Mr. Gervaise Davis, general counsel for Digital Research Inc. and a specialist in software copyright law.

"The basic problem is that there is a conflict between high technology and property law. The legal system was just not designed to deal with property that can be recorded on a magnetic disc," Mr. Davis suggests that the same type of copyright problems will soon arise in biotechnology.

The pirates have become a major problem and expense, for U.S. software houses. Digital Research, like several of the major software producers, now has a staff of legal experts to handle the task of tracking down and taking action against the illegal copiers of their products.

Micropro International, which publishes Wordstar, one of the most popular word processing systems for personal computers, offers a reward to anyone supplying information leading to the pirates.

In March their efforts paid off with what is believed to be the first court room test of the 1980 amendment to U.S. copyright law which made software subject to copyright.

The Federal District Court in San Francisco granted an injunction against a company called Dataforce prohibiting it from copying microcomputer software.

The injunction arose from a million dollar lawsuit filed jointly by Digital Research and micropro alleging piracy of their personal computer software products. Dataforce admitted the unauthorized copying and agreed to give up any copies it still had as well as paying damages and legal fees.

According to Mr. Ronald Laurie, a lawyer involved with the case on behalf of Micropro, Dataforce is a systems integrator — a company that buys computer equipment and puts together turn-key systems for its customers.

"The case is fairly typical of what we believe has been happening. The pirates buy one or two copies and run off a lot more," says Mr. Laurie.

Mr. Seymour Rubenstein, president of Micropro, says: "We do not condone any unauthorized copying but there is really nothing that anybody can do about individuals making copies of programmes and giving them to their friends. It is analogous to people making tape recordings from records."

Most of this type of copying is of video game programmes. Mr. Rubenstein believes, "The teenagers who are now copying games will eventually be buying legitimate copies of Wordstar," he hopes.

Micropro reckons that only one out of five copies of its programmes is legal. With games programmes, the problem is worse.

Business type software is less affected, because users need the manuals and support that go along with these products. Ironically, it

would be much more expensive and difficult to make an illicit copy of the manual than the software.

Part of the problem is that software is expensive. "If the software price is right then nobody will bother to pirate it," says Ed Juge, director of computer merchandising at Tandy Corporation.

"Our word processing programme sells for around \$200. At that price people will pay for the documentation. If the programme costs \$400 they might put up with a carbon copy," says Mr. Juge.

It is the ease with which programmes can be copied that makes protecting copyrighted software so difficult. Most personal computer software is sold on floppy discs. The more expensive programmes — such as word processing — usually come with a "back-up" disc for the user to fall back on should the master disc fail.

This is essential because the discs are fragile and likely to wear out. Most suppliers have a policy of replacing damaged discs containing their software for a moderate fee.

Many software producers, such as Visicorp and Apple Computer, put so-called locks on the discs to make it "impossible" to copy them using standard software supplied with the computers.

Apple and IBM also have a degree of software protection built into the machines. But programmes that confound these locks are sold openly — and legally.

"We once tried putting a lock on one of our products," says Mr. Rubenstein, "but we gave it up because it was unpopular with the dealers. Different computers require different sizes and types of discs, and the dealers need to be able to produce a copy of the programme that will run on their customer's machine."

"In any case within two weeks of introducing the product we got back the first illicit copy. It was a waste of time."

"The determined computer

user can break any software lock. All attempts to design them have so far failed," he adds, but Mr. Jeff Walden of Visicorp disagrees — the software lock will discourage most copiers, he claims.

Mr. Rubenstein compares the software piracy problem with the illegal copying of video cassettes which the film making industry faces. He contends that personal computer manufacturers may be held responsible for damages to software publishers because they sell the machines on which the illegal copying is carried out.

"They should take note of the court ruling against Sony (which produces the Betamax VCR) holding it responsible for damages against movie producers (Walt Disney Productions and MCA Inc)." Mr. Rubenstein suggests that software publishers could bring a similar action against personal computer manufacturers.

There is only one real solution to software piracy, in Mr. Rubenstein's opinion. He wants personal computer manufacturers to incorporate a "hardware lock" in their systems. He says that such locks could easily be made using fusible link read only memories (ROMs).

A unique number could be "burned" into the ROM, he says. Protected software would work on a machine only if a secret combination key had been entered via the keyboard. Buyers would be able to activate their programmes by phoning the manufacturer to obtain the key. Users could then make as many back-up copies as they liked, he suggests.

To make the system foolproof, codes could be built into the ROM to ensure that "secret" numbers were not duplicated.

"But," says Mr. Juge at Radio Shack, "it won't work. The ROM protects the programme by implanting the code onto the disc the first time it is run on the computer. But if the pirate copies the disc before it is run, and passes on the 'secret' code along with his

copies of the programme, then he will have defeated the lock."

Nevertheless, hardware locks are the only long-term solution, says Mr. Rubenstein. "But they require the co-operation of the hardware manufacturers — and so far we do not have that co-operation."

Micropro has approached manufacturers of personal computers although so far they have refused

to help. But he believes that attitudes may change as software becomes a major selling tool for hardware manufacturers.

From the legal viewpoint Mr. Davis says that in theory the precedent set by the Sony case might apply, but it is doubtful that any such action would be successful.

A better approach, he believes, would be for software houses to get together and form a royalty

collection organisation such as that in the music industry. Such an organisation might also follow up and take legal action against pirates, and share the enormous legal costs.

"Until we have put a few people in jail, and people begin to realise that copying is illegal, we will continue to have a problem," says Mr. Davis.

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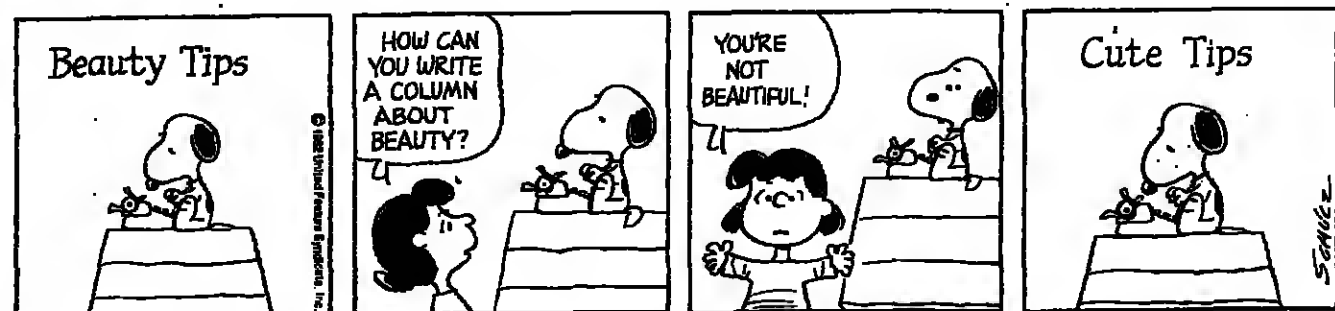
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THE BETTER HALF

By Vinson



Peanuts



Mutt 'n' Jeff



Andy Capp



FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1982

YOUR DAILY Horoscope

from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: The early part of the day finds it possible for you to impress others with your charm. But later some of them may feel imposed upon. Maintain kindness throughout the day.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) The morning is likely to be a happy time for you, but later the tide turns, so remain steadfast and do nothing unwise.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) A good day to come to a fine understanding with associates. Friends can give you important data you need.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Follow the good advice of a business expert. Look to new outlets that could give you added income in the future.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take the time to improve your appearance and get rid of that feeling of being inadequate. Strive for happiness.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Come to the aid of a friend who is having a difficult time now. Attend to your duties with enthusiasm. Think along constructive lines.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Forget your hunger for pleasure now and stick to important business matters. Make your environment more comfortable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Handle career duties in a positive manner but don't step on the toes of co-workers. Postpone civic affairs in a wise way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You could receive a message that is to your liking, but don't let it interfere with regular routines. Be logical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Handle routine chores early in the day for best results. A heart-to-heart talk with loved one clears up uncertainty.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) First converse with associates and then do the work expected of you. Sidestep one who opposes you. Express happiness.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Come to the right accord with fellow workers and be sure to do your share of the work. Relax at home tonight.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Attend your obligations even though some of them may be an unpleasant task. Budget your money expenses wisely.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he or she should be given a good education along practical lines in order to have security and prosperity later in life. The field of investigations is fine here. Be sure to give good ethical training early in life.

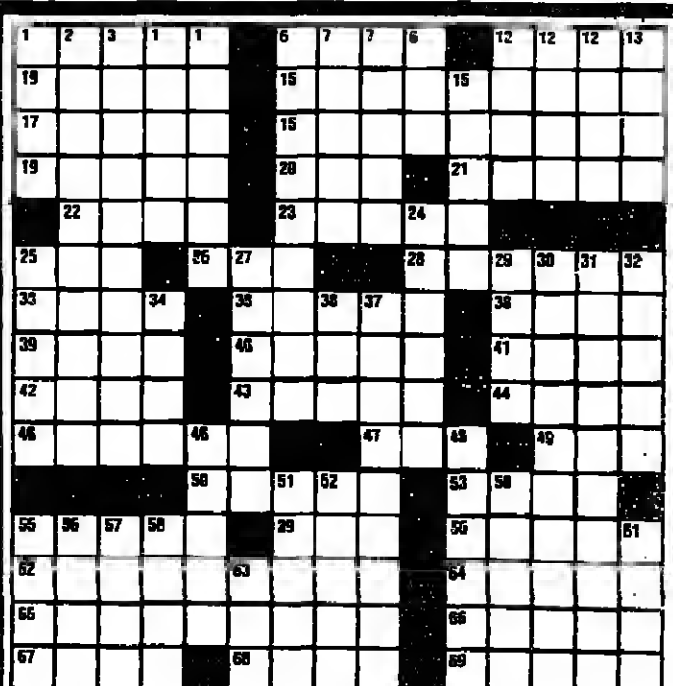
"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

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THE Daily Crossword

By Melvin Kenworthy

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China sacks all but 2 vice-premiers

PEKING (R) — China took further steps to trim its top-heavy bureaucracy Tuesday which removed all but two of the 13 vice-premiers and named many new ministers.

Only the pragmatic Wan Li, 66, and Yao Yilin, 65, retained their posts as deputies to Premier Zhao Ziyang, according to an announcement by the New China News Agency (NCNA).

The long-awaited changes were part of Mr. Zhao's master plan to streamline China's 20-million-strong bureaucracy which he has criticised for being inefficient and overburdened with elderly officials unfamiliar with modern technology.

Both Wan Li and Yao Yilin are close allies of the powerful Vice-Chairman Deng Xiaoping, who is

determined to reduce remaining Maoist influence by placing his own supporters in key positions.

Inner cabinet

NCNA said the standing committee of the National People's Congress, China's parliament, had also named nine former vice-premiers as state councillors or members of a newly-created inner cabinet, the precise function of which is unclear.

Diplomatic sources said that so long as their role remained undefined, this gave the impression that the former vice-premiers, most of them elderly, largely retained their previous functions despite Vice Chairman Deng's determination to rejuvenate the bureaucracy.

NCNA named as a 10th State Councillor Zhang Jingfu, Communist Party chief in the eastern province of Anhui, and a leading proponent of Vice-Chairman Deng's economic reforms.

Mr. Zhang, 68, was also named head of an expanded state economic commission which incorporates six former organisations including the state agricultural commission and the state energy commission. He served as finance minister from 1975 to 1979.

Two former vice-premiers, Yang Jingren and Zhang Aiping, were excluded from the list of state councillors.

Mr. Yang, aged about 65, was recently named head of the Communist Party united front department, which handles relations with non-Communist groupings,

religious organisations and ethnic minorities.

Victims of the 60's

The 23 new ministers include several prominent victims of the Cultural Revolution of the late 1960's, including Zhu Muzhi who now holds the politically sensitive post of culture minister, and Wu Lengxi, who heads the newly created radio and television ministry.

Tuesday's reshuffle follows a trimming of the bureaucracy in March when it was announced that the number of vice-ministers would be drastically reduced from more than a dozen to a maximum of four in each ministry, and that senior officials who are promoted in future would tend to be

middle-aged rather than elderly.

Bosh to be in China today

PEKING (R) — U.S. Vice-President George Bush starts a visit to China Wednesday which is aimed at calming the anger provoked here by the Reagan administration's continued arms sales to Taiwan.

After a two-year "honeymoon" in relations between Peking and Washington, China has openly begun to criticise U.S. foreign policy on a variety of issues and to link Americans with Soviet "hegemonists" as opponents of Third World interests.

Although Mr. Bush arrives in China Wednesday, he is not due to get down to serious talks until Friday.

SWAPO rejects Western proposals for Namibia

LISBON (R) — The South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) has rejected latest Western proposals for the independence of Namibia and called again for a new international conference on the territory's future.

The official Angolan news agency ANGOP Monday quoted a communiqué from SWAPO's Luanda headquarters as saying a new voting formula for the election of the territory's future constituent assembly put forward by the five-nation Western "Contact Group" on Namibia (South West Africa) was unacceptable.

SWAPO said one of the reasons why it was insisting on a new international conference was that,

according to the "Contact Group", South Africa was prepared to implement the U.N. plan for Namibian independence.

An international conference on Namibia collapsed in Geneva in January last year when South Africa said it was premature to set a date for implementing the U.N. plan.

Representatives from the five Western nations in the "Contact Group"—the United States, Britain, France, Canada and West Germany—made the new proposal to SWAPO in Luanda on April 1 with the aim of getting the stalled negotiations on the territory's future moving again.

Policeman killed, policewoman hurt in Londonderry

LONDONDERRY, Northern Ireland (R) — A policeman was shot dead and his woman colleague seriously wounded by gunmen in Londonderry Tuesday, police said.

They were on foot patrol when they were hit by fire from a speeding van, which had been stolen from another part of the city. The policeman was undergoing an emergency operation.

The shooting came on the eve of the first anniversary of the death of Bobby Sands, the first of 10 Irish Republican guerrillas who starved themselves to death in prison hunger strikes last year.

NATO ministers review conventional forces' role

BRUSSELS (R) — NATO defence ministers start Wednesday a review of what they consider the neglected role of conventional forces in the defence of Western Europe.

Diplomatic sources said there is a feeling among North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) officials that public debate in the West has been monopolised by nuclear affairs although conventional forces remain the first level of deterrence.

The Falklands crisis, though outside the treaty area whose southern boundary is the Tropic of Cancer, comes as a reminder of the need for strong conventional forces even for a nuclear power like Britain, they said.

While the NATO doctrine of deterrence and flexible response, which includes the option of using nuclear weapons first if necessary, remains in force, the need for strong conventional forces is higher than ever before, according to NATO officials.

Their strengthening was likely to delay the need for escalation of a conflict at a time when the U.S. has lost its strategic superiority over the Soviet Union and talks are under way in Geneva to limit European-based missiles, they said.

Non-nuclear forces account for 85 per cent of U.S. total defence spending and for nearly 100 per cent for most NATO countries which have no nuclear forces of their own.

It would not be realistic to expect the recession-hit U.S. allies to boost defence spending beyond the real three per cent yearly rise agreed in 1978, the sources said.

Instead they must try to get better value for money. The review of conventional forces to be initiated this week also responds to a change of emphasis in American thinking over the likely duration of a war, they said.

Washington is moving away from the concept of a "short war"

should be able to sustain a longer conventional war which implies higher war ammunition stocks, speedy reinforcements and better procedures for the mobilisation of reserves, according to the sources.

The strengthening envisaged is not so much an increase in military manpower as more firepower for existing units with the emphasis put on new technology, such as precision-guided shells and missiles.

U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar

Weinberger is expected to renew previous calls for allied support of American efforts to set up a rapid deployment force for intervention in areas outside the NATO treaty area to protect the West's vital interests.

He will also probably urge the allies to restrict the sale of high-technology goods to the Soviet Union and other Warsaw Pact countries. The issue will be discussed in more detail by NATO foreign ministers in Luxembourg later this week, the sources said.

The Falklands crisis, with its military lessons and implications for NATO, is expected to be discussed by Mr. Weinberger and other ministers meeting for the twice-yearly NATO defence planning committee here.

The session will be prepared by European defence ministers of the Eurogroup — France and Iceland do not take part in it — who are expected to discuss U.S.-Europe relations on Wednesday.

General Belgrano: Veteran survivor of Pearl Harbour

LONDON — The Argentine cruiser, General Belgrano, presumed sunk by a British torpedo in the south Atlantic, was a survivor of the Japanese attack on U.S. warships in Pearl Harbour in 1941.

The 13,645-ton cruiser, Argentina's second largest warship after the British-built aircraft carrier Vienticeno de Mayo, was bought from the United States in 1951.

The authoritative London reference book, Jane's Fighting Ships, says that it usually carried a crew of 1,000 and was fitted with two squad launchers for the British Seacat (surface to air) missiles and a magazine for about 70 missiles.

The unofficial Argentine news agency, Noticias Argentina, said

in Buenos Aires that 700 men had been on board.

Jane's says the 600-foot (183-metre) cruiser was built in the United States, launched in 1938 and commissioned by the U.S. Navy in 1939 as the Brooklyn Class Phoenix.

It had 15 six-inch (153 mm) guns in five three-barrelled turrets, eight five-inch (127 mm) guns, two twin 40 mm guns and four 47 mm saluting guns. Jane's adds.

It had a hangar in the hull for two helicopters although this was originally built for four aircraft, it said.

Argentina bought the cruiser in 1951 and named it 17 de Octubre (October 17), a date commemorating the rise to power of President Juan Domingo Peron after World War II. Jane's said that it was renamed General Belgrano after the overthrow of President Peron in 1955.

Manuel Belgrano was a revolutionary leader in Argentina's war of independence from Spain in the early 19th century and a founding father of the republic.

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It is doubtful there will be another big vessel like the QE2 because large luxury liners now cost too much to build and too much to run.

The QE2, with its 13 decks and 963 cabins, made its maiden five-day voyage from Southampton to New York in May 1969.

The ship boasts four restaurants, two nightclubs, two lounges, seven cocktail bars, a casino, two card rooms, two libraries, seven shops, a 530-seat cinema and a bank.

However not all these amenities are likely to be retained in the QE2's new role as a troop transport.

Normally the QE2 carries up to 19,000 fare-paying passengers — the cheapest ticket across the Atlantic is about \$850. It was due to dock at Southampton early Tuesday from the United States and had 1,700 passengers booked to leave again Tuesday night on a 12-day cruise around the Mediterranean.

Riots upset Warsaw's plans

WARSAW (R) — Poland's leaders considered ways of averting a repeat of Monday night's violent street clashes in Warsaw, Gdansk and other towns which shattered the surface calm of Poland under martial law.

The running battles between riot police and young supporters of the Solidarity trade union, which lasted long into the night, followed a gradual swell of public demonstrations of opposition to the Communist military rulers.

Parliamentary sources said military leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, who also holds the post of prime minister, had called an emergency meeting of his inner cabinet to discuss the situation. No details of the session were immediately available.

An official statement said the authorities were sizing up the situation and would take any necessary steps to restore and maintain security. They cut telephone links in the capital and threatened to reimpose the overnight curfew, lifted on Sunday.

The strict imposition of martial law rules, continued internment and a bitterly cold winter had subdued Poles, who took time to recover from the shock of the

Ceausescu visits Greece

ATHENS (R) — Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu arrived Tuesday for a four-day state visit and talks with Greek leaders.

The two sides are expected to discuss the creation of a nuclear-free zone in the Balkans and the possibility of a Balkan Summit as well as bilateral and international issues.

The Romanian President will have his first round of talks with President Constantine Karamanlis later Tuesday evening and afterwards will be the guest at a dinner at the presidential palace.

Wednesday, President Ceausescu will lay a wreath at the monument of the unknown soldier and later will have talks with Prime Minister Andreas Papan-dreu.

In an interview published in the Greek newspaper Ta Nea Tuesday, President Ceausescu repeated a recent call for a Balkan Summit meeting. Other Balkan leaders had also discussed the need for a summit, and he believed conditions existed for preparing and organising such a gathering.

In the interview, quoted by the official Romanian news agency Agerpres, President Ceausescu said he envisaged the meeting discussing the current state of Balkan relations and a possible nuclear-free zone in the Balkans.

Luxury liner becomes troop carrier

LONDON (R) — It has been called a floating palace, a playground for the wealthy, the greatest ship in the world and the last of a dying breed.

Now add "the world's most luxurious troop carrier."

The 66,000-tonne Queen Elizabeth 2, flagship of the Cunard line, was requisitioned by the British government Monday to take 3,000 infantrymen to the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic.

This is the latest chapter in a 13-year history of cruises on the high seas for the queen of passenger liners, known in marine circles simply as the QE2.

The elegant liner has experienced bomb threats and extortion

plots, survived a fire and an alleged conspiracy which would have led to its being torpedoed while carrying a complement of prominent Jewish passengers.

It is the world's largest passenger ship and the last of the great trans-Atlantic liners, carrying on a tradition established by the Mauritania, Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth, which also doubled as troop carriers.

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military takeover and the end of 16 months of hope for democratic change led by Solidarity.

In a speech at the Sejm (parliament) Monday, Deputy Prime

Minister Mieczyslaw Rakowski alluded to what he called "a resuscitation of the spirit of anti-Sovietism" during the 16-month Solidarity period.

Magana studies amnesty for Salvadorean guerrillas

SAN SALVADOR (R) — El Salvador's new interim president, Alvaro Magana, has said he was considering granting an amnesty for leftist guerrillas fighting government troops.

At his first press conference since being sworn in Monday, Mr. Magana said the possibility of an amnesty was "a central idea... after all we are searching for the pacification of the country."

But the insurgents have vowed to fight on and are thought unlikely to respond to amnesty offers which have always been ignored in the past.

Mr. Magana also pledged that human rights would be respected during his rule which will last until the constituent assembly, elected in March, decides to call full presidential elections.

Mr. Magana ruled out any bargaining with the insurgents. "There is nothing to negotiate for the peace that was sought by the people who voted on March 28," he said.

He also pronounced himself commander-in-chief of the armed forces to succeed Gen. Jaime Abdul Gutierrez whose future position has not yet been decided.

Massed security forces on alert in Indonesian polls

JAKARTA (R) — Indonesians voted Tuesday in general elections for a new parliament which will indicate the measure of support for the military-backed government of President Suharto, though his Golkar party is certain of a big majority.

Thousands queued up at makeshift polling stations under gaily-coloured canopies in Jakarta as voting began.

More than 50,000 troops and militia remained on full alert with orders to shoot anyone trying to disrupt the polls, but no incidents were reported.

Fifty-nine people were killed in Jakarta in pre-election violence. But unlike the campaigning period, when armoured vehicles and troops patrolled the streets, security forces today maintained a low profile.

The voting is for 364 parliament seats, of which Golkar won 232 in the last general elections. The remaining 96 seats in the 460-member house are reserved for presidential nominees, mostly military officers.

Mercenary leader testifies in failed Seychelles coup

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (R) — The abortive Seychelles coup last November was carried out with the knowledge of South Africa's National Intelligence Service (NIS) with arms supplied by the republic's defence force, mercenary leader Mike Hoare told the court trying 43 alleged hijackers Monday.

Col. Hoare, the leader of the men who are charged with hijacking an Air India airliner to South Africa after the coup failed, also said he had been told that the South African cabinet had decided in principle last September that the coup should go ahead.

Defence lawyers submitted to the Natal province supreme court, which is hearing the case, an invoice from the defence force for the delivery of 75 Soviet-made A.K.-47 rifles to Col. Hoare's house.

Col. Hoare told the court that a NIS agent had introduced him to two army officers who discussed his plans for a coup against the socialist government of Seychelles President Albert Rene.

Later, he was summoned to Pretoria where an army officer told him the cabinet had given its approval and "We must now discuss the details," Col. Hoare said.

Col. Hoare said a consignment of arms arrived in civilian truck at his house last October.

At his meeting with the officers it was agreed that the weapons would have to be of Soviet and Eastern European origin to hide South African involvement.

He told the court he was giving the evidence with reluctance but he had been persuaded by his legal adviser that he had no choice.

To the best of his recollection all the men were told that the government knew about it.

He said he had met former Seychelles President James Mancham, who was overthrown by President Rene, in London in 1979.

Mr. Mancham had told him he was very interested in having him (Col. Hoare) lead the attempt to have him reinstated, Col. Hoare said.

Wooing Egypt

The main priority for the Arab states, as the West pursues its peace initiatives, appears to be to try to woo Egypt back into the Arab camp.

King Hussein and King Hassan II of Morocco congratulated Egypt on the recovery of the Sinai and said they hoped to see all Arab territory returned to the Arabs.

Iraq, in the meantime, is publicly accepting military aid from Egypt to boost its war effort against Iran.

Western officials say they are hoping the desire to maintain the peace will encourage Israel to move forward on the issue of Palestinian autonomy as a next step towards a lasting settlement in the region.

Sinking of Argentine ship upsets West

By Sidney Welland
Reuters

LONDON — West European support for Britain showed signs of wavering Tuesday following the first serious clashes in the Falkland Islands conflict.

The French External Relations Ministry expressed "consternation" over Britain's sinking of the Argentine cruiser General Belgrano, Bonn voiced "dismay" over battle casualties, and an Irish government minister labelled Britain an aggressor.

The Irish government said it was seeking an immediate meeting of the United Nations Security Council to propose a new resolution calling for a cessation of hostilities.

West German sources said backing for Britain, solid until now, had cooled noticeably since British forces launched major sea and air strikes against Argentina at the weekend.

While governments were reluctant to criticise a key ally, there appeared to be growing unease over Britain's apparent intention to keep up military pressure in the South Atlantic.

West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Portuguese Prime Minister Francisco Pinto Balsemão, meeting in Bonn, both expressed concern over the latest developments.

Pressure on Thatcher

With Britain disclosing further action in the month-long showdown over the Falklands, non-British diplomats forecast that allied governments were almost certain to urge Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to show greater restraint.

France's minister for European community affairs, Andre Chenu, urged that the Falklands crisis should be ended as soon as possible by reopening negotiations.

Irish Defence Minister Patrick Power said in Dublin: "We felt that Argentina was the first aggressor and originally backed Britain. But obviously the British themselves are very much the aggressors now and we are taking a neutral stance."

The comments—with a marked shift in emphasis—followed reports that several hundred Argentine sailors may have died when a British submarine torpedoed the Argentine cruiser on Sunday.

In Bonn, a government spokesman said West Germany was "dismayed at the death of so many Argentine seamen and concerned at the extension of fighting and the risk of further escalation of military actions."

The term "extension of fighting" was taken to refer to the sinking of the Argentine warship outside the 200-mile war zone around the Falklands declared by Britain last week.

EEC misgivings

Diplomatic sources said some of Britain's EEC partners, including Ireland might also want to reconsider the sanctions, affecting 25 per cent of Argentina's trade, imposed three weeks ago.

They said West European governments were also concerned that continued sanctions at a time when Britain was using force could seriously weaken Western influence in Latin America.

West Germany has warned that the Falklands crisis, with the United States ranged on Britain's side, could be exploited by Moscow in an area that was already politically volatile.

A French external relations ministry spokesman, saying France had learned of the sinking of the Argentine warship "with consternation," noted that the latest incidents were being discussed by EEC officials in Brussels.

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky said Argentina was clearly and unmistakably to blame for the crisis but that Britain was clinging to old colonial principles.

Although Italy has been torn by divided loyalties, sources said the government would continue to side with Britain as part of a joint EEC policy, at least for the time being.

There are about 1.2 million Italians in Argentina and 40 per cent of the whole population are of Italian origin.

Spanish sources said the sinking of the Argentine cruiser was regrettable and reiterated a government statement that massive British action would be an historical error.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN

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♦ 9 8 7 5
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SOUTH
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♥ 5
♦ K J 10 2
♣ A 9 7 6 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass
4NT Pass 5♦ Pass
7♣ Pass Pass Pass
Opening lead: Three of ♣.

The bridge expert correlates his chances and makes sure that he is not in the wrong hand at the wrong time. Watch the technique of Israeli internationalist Shmuel Lev in a rubber bridge game at New York's Cavendish Club.

The auction had the virtue of directness. North knew that, at worst, the contract would hinge on a finesse, and

he had faith in his partner's dummy play.

West led a low trump and dummy's eight won. Declarer decided that his best chance was to ruff out the king of hearts—a simple matter if trumps were 2-2. So, at trick two he cashed the ace of hearts and ruffed a heart in hand. He crossed to the king of clubs, and was disappointed when East sluffed a spade.

Now declarer made a vital move. He cashed the ace of diamonds. Next, he led another heart and took care to ruff with the ace. That precaution was rewarded when West sluffed a spade on this trick.

There was one more string to declarer's bow. He led the jack of diamonds for a ruffing finesse. West tried to look like a player who did not have the queen of diamonds as he followed low, but declarer simply discarded a heart from dummy.

The rest was easy. Declarer ruffed a diamond in dummy, drew the last trump and then scored the last three tricks with high spades. To appreciate the skill with which he handled the dummy, you try and make the contract if the ace of diamonds is not cashed early so that the ruffing finesse can be taken at the crucial moment!

Options for a post-Camp David peace

By Harvey Morris
Reuters

LONDON — Israel faces international pressure to loosen its grip on the Arab West Bank now that it has completed the handover of occupied Egyptian land.

The United States and Western Europe held back from any fresh peace initiatives until the return of the Sinai Peninsula to Egypt on April 25.

Western diplomats say the focus of Middle East peace efforts will now switch to the occupied West Bank. But some were pessimistic about progress in view of Israel's determination to keep the territory it occupied along with Sinai 15 years ago.

The Sinai handover was a landmark in the U.S.-sponsored Camp David process that led to the 1979 separate peace treaty between Egypt and Israel.

But it left unresolved a further element of that treaty — "autonomy" for the 1.2 million Palestinians living in territory still occupied by Israel since the 1967 Middle East war.

Diplomats said the recovery of Sinai would allow Egypt to take a

tougher line in autonomy talks and seek renewed ties with Arab states which ostracised him for making separate peace with Israel.

Even before the Sinai handover Egypt made clear it wanted a far greater degree of "autonomy" for the West Bank Palestinians than envisaged by Israel.

Issue of settlements

Israel leaders said last week the government of Prime Minister Menachem Begin would continue its policy of establishing Jewish settlements on the West Bank, a territory it refers to as Judea and Samaria.

The settlements already number 94 and a third of these have been set up in the past two years.

Local Arab resentment of the settlers and accusations that they monopolise West Bank water supplies have brought mounting tension between the two communities.

The extension of Israeli authority in the occupied zone and restrictions on local Arab leaders have led to a Palestinian uprising and bloodshed.

A Palestinian youth was killed and four others were wounded when Israeli troops opened fire to quell a demonstration late last week.

Washington has already made clear it wants to see progress on autonomy, while reaffirming its commitment to Israel's security.

Secretary of State Alexander Haig said in an interview with an Egyptian newspaper last month that Washington must try to help achieve positive results in the autonomy talks.

News analysis

He told the semi-official Al-Ahram: "I think we have to make a major effort after the Sinai is returned." But he also acknowledged the wide gap separating Israel and Egypt on the issue.

The Fahd plan

Mr. Haig also commented on a peace plan put forward last year by Saudi Arabia's Prince Fahd, which contained an implicit offer